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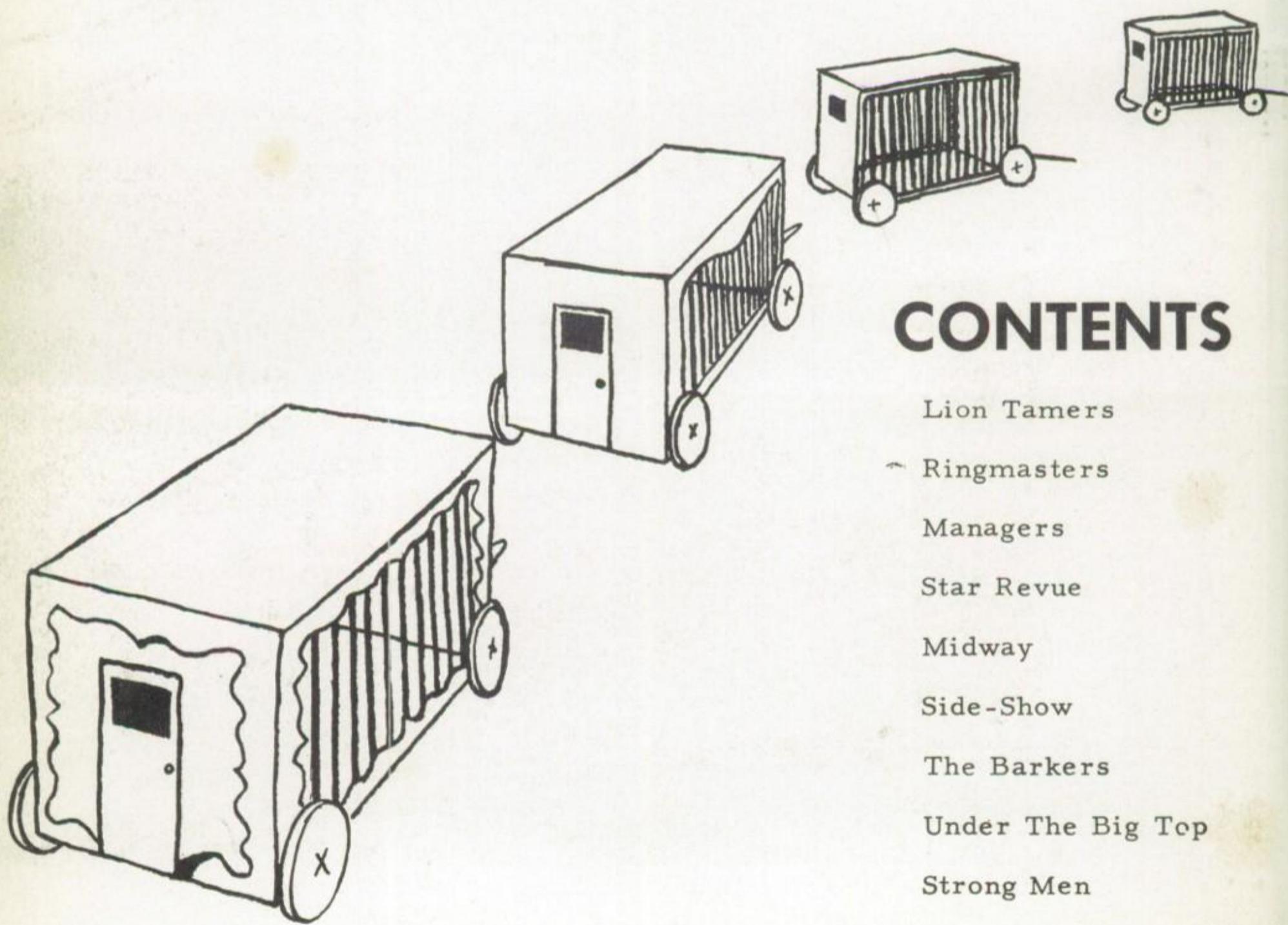
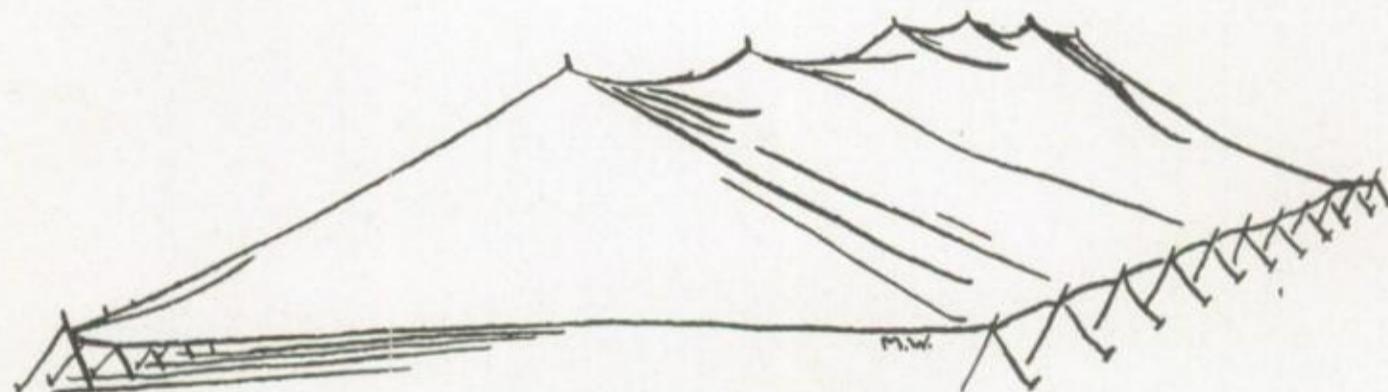
The Senior Class

SPENCERVILLE HIGH SCHOOL
SPENCERVILLE, OHIO

M.H.A.

FOREWORD

We, the members of the Annual Staff of 1954, have given gladly of our time to prepare this annual in an effort to capture and record for all time the events of this school year. If in the years to come when you look through its pages and old half-forgotten memories are aroused then we will rest assured that our mission has been completed successfully.



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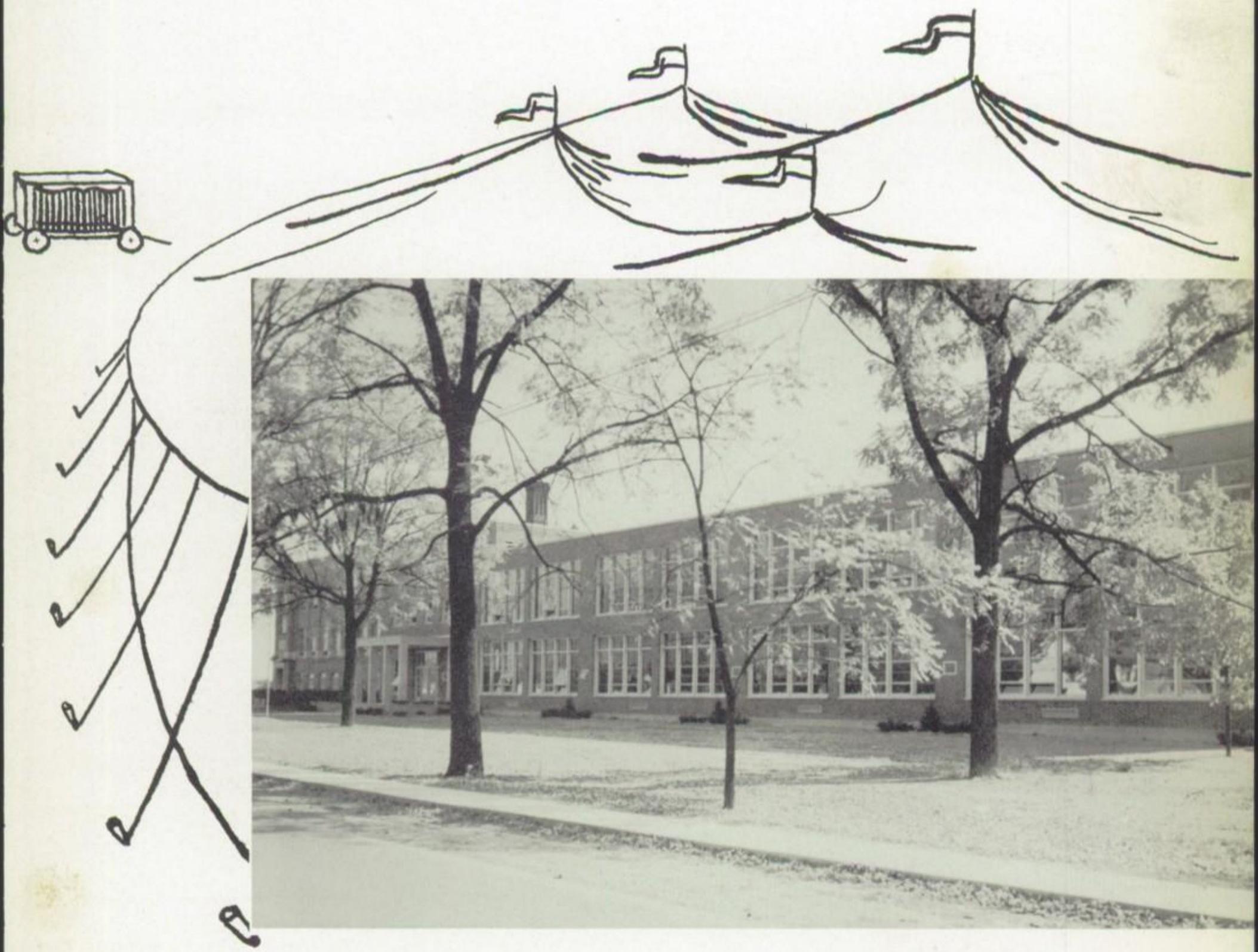
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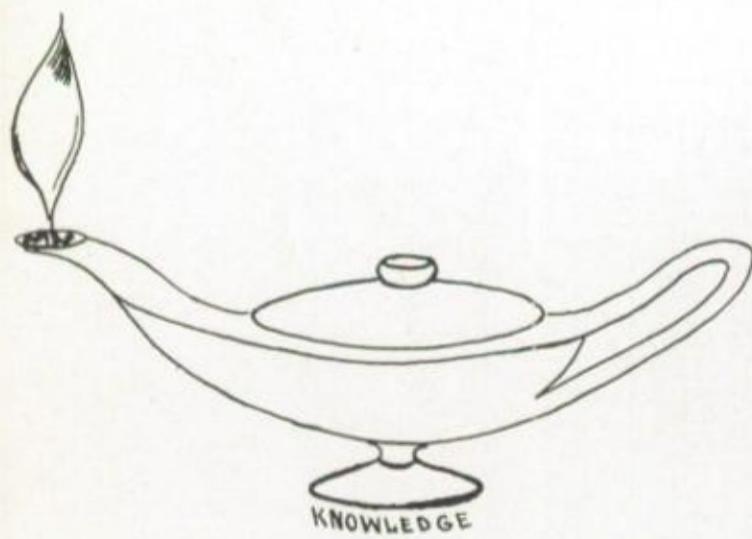
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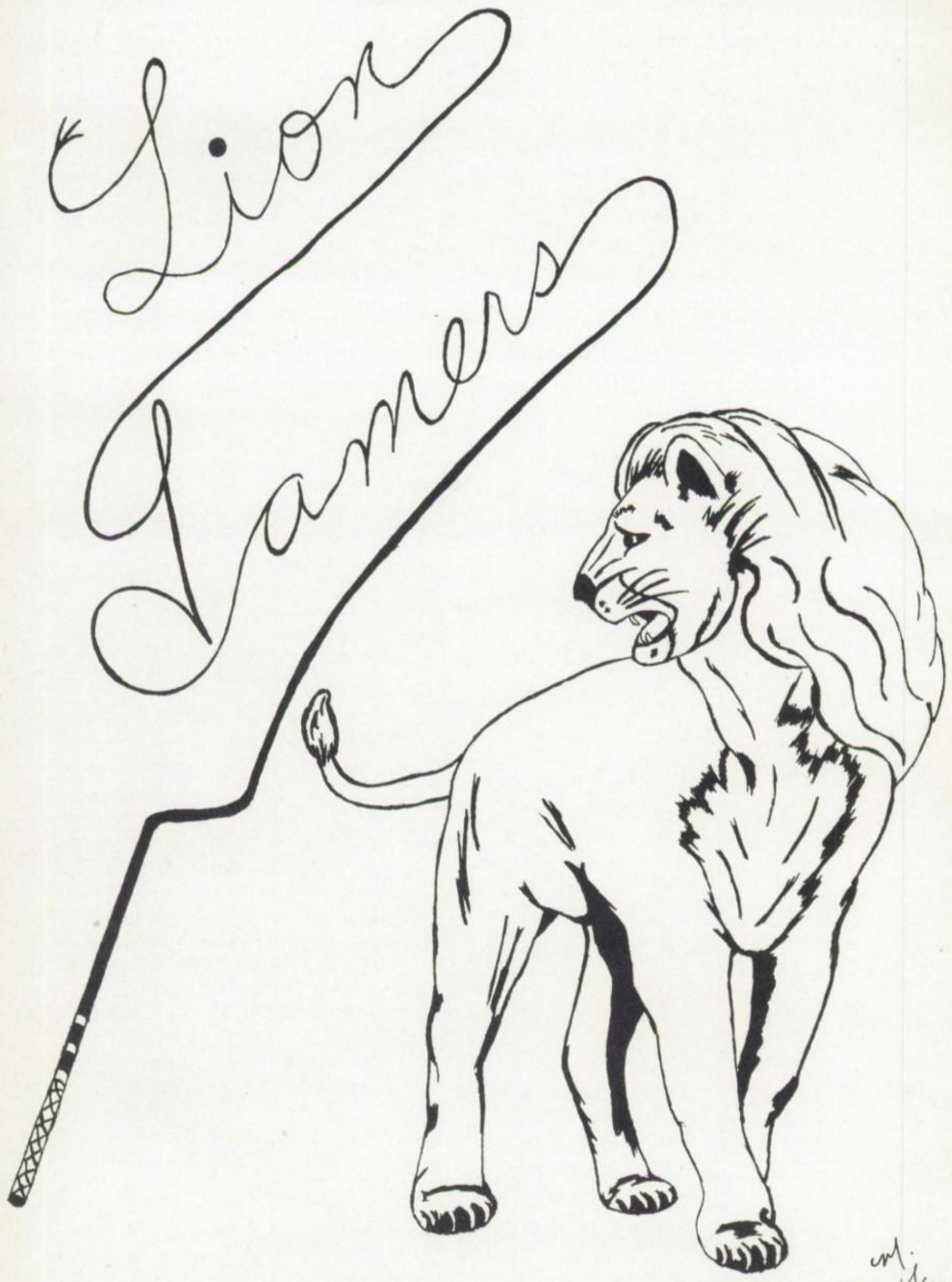
DEDICATION

We, the Senior Class of Nineteen hundred Fifty-Four, wish to dedicate this annual to our parents who have loved and helped us. It has been their loving guiding influence that has shaped and molded our characters. Perhaps we haven't always been grateful to them but we would like to show our appreciation now by dedicating this yearbook to them as a token on the interest of the debt we hope to pay in the future.



APPRECIATION

Thousands of dollars spent on an education, hundreds of hours of experience, a wealth of knowledge and understanding, a genuine interest in youth....all added to a commendable sense of humor; these things comprise the faculty of the Spencerville School. They are always there, quietly in the background helping and advising us. They too have played an important part in shaping our lives. Sometimes after a snap quiz or a unit test we haven't always been grateful to them for their knowledge and help. But now we would like to say simply thanks.... thanks for all the things you have done for us.



m.s.j.

RINGMASTERS

E. C. BRANSTETTER

Ohio Northern University; Ohio State University;
B.S.; M.A.; Drawing; The friends thou hast and
their adoption tried Grapple to thy soul with hoops
of steel.

--Shakespeare

EDWARD W. HAUSSER

Baldwin Wallace College; Teachers College of
Columbia University; A.B.; B.S.; M.A.; Biology,
Science, and Mathematics. Build thee more
stately mansions, Oh, my Soul, As the swift
seasons roll.

THE POWER TO CHOOSE

One of the abilities which distinguishes man from animal is his ability to choose. Although man has this ability, he must have a social order which will permit him to use it and better still stimulate him to do so. Your school as an institution encourages you to make the best use of your time in making choices and in generally mastering all essential fundamentals. At one time reading, arithmetic, and writing were considered the necessary ones but today they are not sufficient. Since it is possible for knowledge to be used in a fashion which is detrimental to mankind, it is therefore essential that it be directed by the principles and concepts which were so completely formulated and exemplified by our Lord and Master. Your ability to choose will determine the worthwhileness of your life.

Friendship is that condition of social intercourse existing between two persons in which each being fully aware of the faults and short comings of the other still likes, respects, and is willing to sacrifice for the other person.

One author said that one must be a friend in order to have a friend. No lopsidedness is possible, not even a 50-50 basis will do. We must go all out in our respect and devotion or else remain in that twilight of friendship more honestly called acquaintance-ship.

We were created to feel sublimely content and well at ease when we felt the security of true friends about us and could enjoy the mutual socializing that only friends can share.

May it be the goal of each Senior to build such friendships as will make him happy through life, and which will also prove a sound basis for a fine community life. May each Senior find through friendship that partner for life which will make all the world more lovely and put a rainbow in every cloud. May each find that Friend who gives all life a meaning and each soul such a perfect outlook for the future that there will be no "moaning of the bar" when each puts out to sea.

MANAGERS

Top row - left to right - Mr. Balthaser, president; Mr. Dillon, vice president; Mr. Wierwille. Bottom row - left to right - Mr. Boyer; Mr. Grassley, clerk; Mr. Hilty.



Two new members have joined the ranks of the Spencerville Board of Education this year. They join with the rest in extending their sincere good wishes to the Class of '54 who by the time this message is read will have graduated. It is the hope of the Board of Education that when each senior's book of life has been written it will hold as many pleasant memories as this book with its record of the senior year.



WILLIAM TRUNK
Ohio Northern University; Vandercook College of music; B.S. in Education; Instrumental and Vocal Music

I mourn not that the desolate are happier sweet than I, But that you sorrow for my fate who am a passer by.



BONNIE DEEMER
Ohio Northern University; Ohio University; A.B.; English; Geography.

"God is love; and he that dwelleth in love dwelleth in God, and God in him."

The future of society is in the hands of the schoolmaster of today.

--Thomas H. Briggs



DOROTHY MAY CLARK
De Pauw University; Ohio Northern University; University of Florida; Bowling Green State University; Gregg College; Typewriting, Shorthand, Bookkeeping, General Business

To look up and not down, To look forward and not back, To look out and not in, and To lend a hand.

--Edward Everett Hale

"I do not ask for mighty words To leave the crowd impressed, But grant my life may ring so true My neighbor may be blessed."



BETTY L. SHRIDER
Olivet Nazarene College; Ohio State University; Indiana University; B.S. in Secondary Education; History and Social Science.



JOHN D. COLLINS
Bowling Green State University; Ohio State University; B.S. in Education; B.A.; Science and Mathematics.



MILDRED C. SARKA
Ohio Northern University; Ohio
State University; A.B.; M.A.;
Speech and Social Science.

"Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding."

What a new face courage puts on everything! A determined man, by his very attitude and the tone of his voice, puts a stop to defeat and begins to conquer.



WES CRILE
College of Wooster; B.S. in Physical Education; Boys Physical Education, Arithmetic, General Science.



PEARL FRITZ
Bowling Green State University;
Ohio State University; B.S. in Education; M.A.; English, Latin, Librarian

'Tis education forms the common mind; Just as the twig is bent, the tree's inclined.

--Pope

"Not what we give, but what we share--For the gift without the giver is bare; Who gives himself with his alms feeds three--Himself, his hungering neighbor, and Me.



RUTH E. PATTERSON
Ohio Northern University; University of Michigan; A.B. in Education; English.



RICHARD L. HUMMEL
Ohio State University; B.S. in Agriculture; Vocational Agriculture.

Human hopes and human creeds,
Have their root in human needs.



"First to thine own self be true
and then it must follow as the
night the day, thou cans't not
then be false to any man."



MRS. DOROTHY HEIDLEBAUGH
Miami University; B.S. in Education; Home Economics.

Roof tops, roof tops, what do you cover? Sad folk, bad folk, and many a glowing lover; Wise people, simple people, children of despair--Roof tops, roof tops hiding pain and care.

Charles Hanson Town

RUSSEL E. McDORMAN
Industrial Arts; B.S. of Elementary and Secondary Education; Bethany Biblical Seminary; Ohio Northern University; Bowling Green State University.



"All problems become smaller if you don't dodge them but confront them."



JANICE GRAESSLE
Secretary

"We are not what we think we are,
but what we think, we are."

MR. HENRY ZABORNIK
Kent State University; Bowling Green State University; B.S. in Education; History; Geography; Social Problems; Commercial Law.



Physical Education Assistants
First Row: Gretchen Post. Second Row: Georgia Wisher, Shirley Wood. Absent from picture Phyllis Mason.

SIDE SHOW SIDE LIGHTS

Class Flower: Yellow Rose

Class Colors: Green and Gray

Class Motto: We've walked the paths, only the highways lie before us.





M.J.S.



SAMUEL K. SUNDERLAND
"88"

Here's our President of "54", And his
trombone playing we adore.

Concert Band 1,2,3,4; Marching Band
1,2,3,4; Class Officer-President 4;
Baseball 3,4; Orchestra 1,2; Junior
Class Play 3; Chorus 1.



JOYCE ELAINE McCAIN
"Piggy-Wiggy"

She is cute and quite a gal, And when
a friend is needed, She's a pal.

Junior Class Play 3; Concert Band 1,2,
3,4; Marching Band 1,2,3,4; Honor
Banquet 3; G.A.A. 1,2,3,4; Waitress 2;
Orchestra 1,2; Class Officer-Student
Council 4; Student Council-President
4.

High school days have their delights,
But they can't compare to high school
nights.

Junior Class Play 3; Class Officers-
President 2, Vice President 4; Baseball
1,2,3,4; Football 4; Varsity S 3,4;
Track 3,4.



CHARLES JACK BOYER

Whether in class or on the floor, Here's
a lad who knows the score.

F.F.A. 1,2,3,4; Varsity Basketball 3,4;
Class Officer-Secretary-Treasurer 4;
Football 3,4; Varsity 3,4; Waiter 2;
Track 1,2; Parliamentary Procedure 2,
3; Chorus 2.

Our friends see the best in us and by
that very fact call forth the best from
us.

President 3; Band 1,2,3,4; Waitress 2;
Junior Class Play 3; Reception Com-
mittee 3; Chorus 1,2,3,4; G.A.A. 1,
2,3,4; Orchestra 1,2; Honor Banquet
3; Prince of Peace 4; Class Memorial
3; Class Prophecy 4; Class Will 4;
Calendar 4.



SUSAN ELAINE MILLER
"Prof"



RICHARD LAVERN FISSEL
"Dick"



BEVERLY ANN HARTER
"Bev"

NORMAN LYTLE
"Red"



Her personality is like a coke, so refreshing.

Concert Band 1,2,3,4; Marching Band 1,2,3,4; Junior Class Play 3; Chorus 1,2,3,4; Honor Banquet 3; Reception Committee 3; Orchestra 1,2; Ring Committee 2; Waitress 2; Class Play Committee 3; Prince of Peace 4; Class Memorial 2; Class Prophecy 4; Class Will 4; Echoes Staff 2,4; Journal News Staff 2; Intramurals 1,2,3,4; D.A.R. Test 4.

I want to be bashful but the girls won't let me.

Football 1,2,3,4; Baseball 1,2,3,4; Track 2; Varsity S 1,2,3,4; Student Council 1,4; F.F.A. 3,4; Waiter 2; Manager Basketball 2; Office Assistant 4.

SHIRLEY JANE WOOD



Hair of red, eyes of blue, we like him and think you would too.

Junior Class Play; F.F.A. 1,2,3,4; Parliamentary Procedure 2,3,4; Waiter 2; Marching Band 1,2,3; Concert Band 1,2,3.

Her favorite fruit is dates. Her favorite fun is good cheerleading.

Junior Class Play 3; Cheerleader 1,2,4; G.A.A. 1,2,3,4; Chorus 1,2,3,4; Waitress 2; Reception Committee 3; Usher 3; Journal News Staff 3; Student Council 2; F.H.A. 1,3,4; Starduster Quartette 3,4.

GERALD D. KELLER
"Grass"



Here is a gal with a lot of fame, to excel in school work is her aim.

Chorus 1,2,3,4; G.A.A. 1,2,3,4; Class Officer-Secretary Treasurer 3; Honor Banquet 3; Echoes Staff 4; Shorthand Pin 4; Reception Committee 3; Librarian 1,2; Prince of Peace 4; Class Play Committee 3; Journal News Staff 4; Intramurals 1,2,3,4; F.H.A. 1.

Full of pep, full of vigor, he kept the classroom in a dither.

F.F.A. 1,2,3,4; Junior Class Play 3; Varsity Basketball 3,4; Waiter 2; Journal News Staff 4; State Judging Team 3; Reserve Basketball 2; Junior High Basketball 1.



ANNE BOWERS



DARREL GENE WOLFORD
"Wolf"



GEORGIA JEAN FAST
"Jeanie"



NORMAN E. YOUNG

The captain of our team was Norm,
He took the football team by storm.

Football 1,2,3,4, Captain 4; Varsity S
3,4; Track 3; Reserve Basketball 2,3.

NANCY JO HIXSON



Five feet three, brown eyes, black
hair, Goes steady with Hugh and has
beauty rare.

Concert Band 1,2,3,4; Marching Band
1,2,3,4; Cheerleader 1,3,4; Chorus 1,
2,3,4; Orchestra 1,2; Star Duster Quar-
tette 3,4; Reception Committee 3;
Waitress 2; Class Officer-Annual Re-
porter 2; Student Council-Secretary 3;
G.A.A. 1,2.

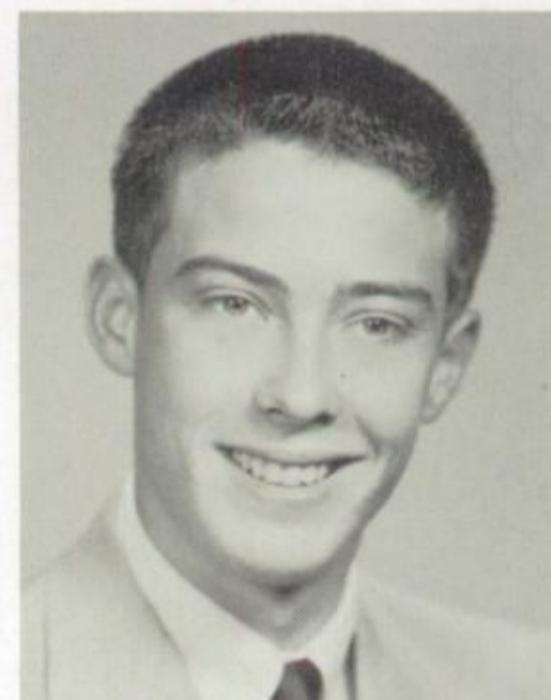


CONNIE MARIE DERSHEM

Has hair of blond and eyes of blue, A
sweet personality to match these too.

Chorus 2,3,4; Reception Committee 3;
F.H.A. 3,4; G.A.A. 3; Attendant 4;
Memorial Committee 4.

KENNETH H. RIDER
"Skidboard"



He played football in the fall, But his
real love is basketball.

Junior Class Play 3; Varsity S 2,3,4;
Varsity Basketball 3,4; Baseball 2,3,4;
Waiter 2; Junior High Basketball 1.



CARL E. MARTIN

The Football field isn't the only place
where you can use a good line.

Football 3,4; Varsity S 3,4; Track 3,4.

PHYLLIS ANNE MASON



It's nice to be natural if you're natur-
ally nice.

Band 4 Shawnee 1,2,3; Chorus 4 Shaw-
nee 1,2,3; Spanish Club, Shawnee 3;
Y-Teen, Shawnee 2,3; Eisteddfod
Solo, Shawnee 1; Echoes Staff 4;
F.H.A., Shawnee 1; Acappella, Shaw-
nee 2,3.

BRUCE HARRUFF
"Hairy"



Full of fun the live long day, Sweet and happy is our Kay.

Concert and Marching Band 2,3,4 Mt. Healthy 1; Chorus 3,4; Junior Class Play 3; Prince of Peace 4; G.A.A. 2, 3,4; Y-Teens 1 Mt. Healthy Waitress 2.



KAY ANN PEARSON

He is nice and friendly and thinks girls are all right, With such pleasures as these why study all night.

Varsity Basketball 3,4; Reserve Basketball 2; Football 1,3; Varsity S 3,4; Waiter 2; Student Council 2.

GRETCHEN ANN POST
"Gretch"



A guy that is friendly with a smile that is grand, He really struts when he leads the band.

Marching Band 1,2,3,4; Cheerleader 1,2,3,4; Drum Major 2,3,4; Chorus 1, 2,3,4; Class Prophecy 4; Reception Committee 3; Prince of Peace 4; Intramurals 1.



GEORGE WILSON

"Gretch" is a gal with long black hair, And her studies aren't her only care.

Office Assistant 1,2,3,4; G.A.A. 1,2, 3,4; Intramurals 1,2,3,4; Librarian 1, 2,3,4; Journal News Staff 1,2,3; Class Prophecy 4; Class Will 4; Junior Class Play 3; Prince of Peace 4; Usher 2,3; Echoes 4; F.H.A. 1,2,3.

ROBERT PAUL DAUGHERTY
"Bob"



Little and shy and always bright, That's our Mary, you guessed it right.

Chorus 1,2,3,4; Librarian 3,4; Eisteddfod 2,3,4; Usher 3; Intramurals 1,2,3; G.A.A. 1,2,3.



MARY LOUISE ORTEGA

Energy and persistence conquer all things.

Concert Band 1,2,3,4; Marching Band 1,2,3,4; Prince of Peace 4; Intramurals 2,3,4; Flower and Color Committee 4.



JOHN W. PURDY
"Bill"

Nothing is so contagious as enthusiasm.

Ring Committee 2; Waiter 2; Varsity Basketball 3,4; Football 1,2,3,4; Echoes 4; Track 1,2.

SHARON LEE BINKLEY
"Jake"



In typing class she is a whiz. A right grand girl our Jackie is.

"Star Dusters" 3,4; Concert Band 1,2,3,4; Marching Band 1,2,3,4; Junior Class Play 3; G.A.A. 1,2,4; Chorus 1,2,3,4; Reception Committee 3; Prince of Peace 4; Echoes 4.



MERALENE FAYE TURNER

An Echoes artist and Joyce's pal, A really good dancer is this gal.

Chorus 1; G.A.A. 1,2,3,4; Intramurals 1,2,3,4; Echoes Staff 4.

HAROLD ROGER POINT



Whatever is worth doing at all is worth doing well.

Marching and Concert Band 1,2,3,4; Reserve Basketball 2,3; Varsity Basketball 4; Junior Class Play 3; F.F.A. 1,2,3,4; Varsity S 2,3,4; Prince of Peace 4; Honor Banquet 3; Student Council 3; Class Memorial 2,3; Chorus 1; Waiter 2.



PAUL RICHARD EUTSLER
"Useless"

He burns the midnight oil, but not always for study.

F.F.A. 1,2,3,4; Track 1.

BETH MACE



Pals around with Gretchen; is musically inclined, But her heart is like the moon, there's a man in it.

Concert Band 1,2,3,4; Marching Band 1,2,3,4; Chorus 1,2,3,4; Class Officer-Secretary-Treasurer 1; Star Dusters 3,4; Ring Committee 2; Waitress 2; State Solo 3; Eisteddfod 1,2,3,4; Class Memorial 2; Orchestra 1,2.

RICHARD FOX
"Eagle"



"Tweet Tweet" is short and can really sing. Now she wears a diamond ring.

Concert Band 1,2,3,4; Marching Band 1,2,3,4; Chorus 1,3,4; Intramurals 1, 2,3,4; F.H.A. 1,2,3,4, President 4; G.A.A. 1,2,3,4;



JANICE LOUISE ZIMMERMAN
"Tweet Tweet"

A little shy, but a wonderful guy.

Thought is the seed of action.

Football 1,2,3,4; Reserve Basketball 2; Varsity Basketball 3,4; Baseball 1, 2,3,4; State Manager 3; Waiter 2.

CAROLYN ANN COFFMAN
"Coffee"



The smile is mightier than the grin.

Echoes Staff 4; G.A.A. 1,2,3,4; Usher 3; Chorus 1,2,3,4; Librarian 1,2; Office Assistant 3,4.

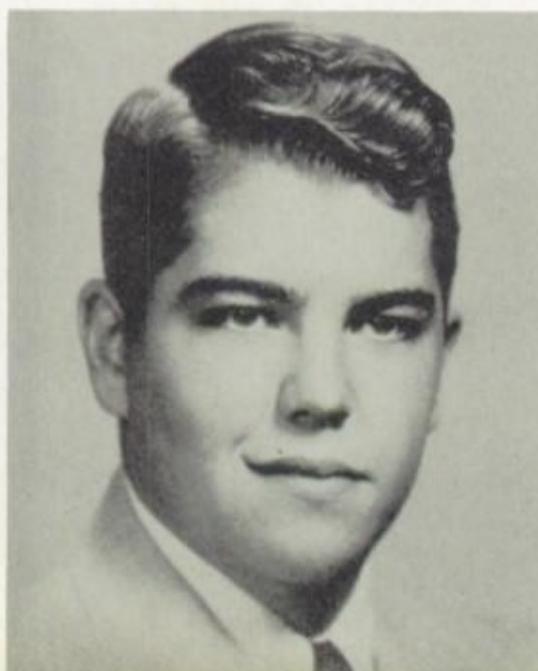


CHARLES G. HAUSSER
"Chuck"

Helping someone else is the secret of happiness.

G.A.A. 1, Reporter 2, Secretary 3, Vice President 4; Journal News 1,2,3, 4; Chorus 2,3,4; F.H.A. 1,2,3,4; Secretary; Echoes Staff 4; Class Officer-Vice President 3; Librarian 1,2; Honor Banquet 3; Class Play Committee 3; Intramurals 1,2,3,4; Reception Committee-Program 3; Commencement Committee-Motto 3; Class Play Prompter 3.

LINDEN G. KROUSKOP



Laugh and I laugh with you, Study and you study alone.

Concert Band 1,2; Marching Band 1,2; Junior Class Play 3; Football 1.



SHIRLEY ANN ROHRBACH



CARMEN RUPERT
"B 1"

Here is a lad who is known as Joe, He plays football like a pro.

Football 1,2,3,4; Reserve Basketball; Varsity S 1,2,3; Manager 1; Intramurals 1.

GEORGIA MAE WISHER



Good things come in little packages.

G.A.A. 1,2,3,4; Chorus 1,2,3,4; Ring Committee 3; Waitress 2; Class Prophecy 4; Usher 3; Intramurals 1,2,3,4.



MARLENE SUE WILKINS

Tall, smart, and full of fun. A girl who is friendly to everyone.

Journal News Staff 2,3,4; Honor Banquet 3; G.A.A. 1,2,3,4; Echoes Staff 4; Intramurals 1,2,3,4; Prince of Peace 4; Chorus 1; Librarian 3; Usher 3; F.H.A. 1.

WILLIAM CARLTON GRAESSLE
"Bill"



They conquer who think they can.

F.F.A. 1,2; Class Officer 1.

Many great men were silent.

F.F.A. 1,2,3,4.

ELEANOR LEE MULHOLLAND
"Ellie"



"Ellie" is a bright little lass. She's one of the shortest in the class.

Junior Class Play 3; G.A.A. 1,2,3; F.H.A. 3; Chorus 1,2,3; Librarian 1; Intramurals 1,2,3.

TOM F. CLEMENT





MARTHA ANN McMICHAEL "Marty"
The only person we know that beats
time is a drum player.

Marching Band 1,2,3,4; Concert Band
1,2,3; G.A.A. 1,2,3,4; F.H.A. 1,2,3,4;
Usher 3; Intramurals 1,2,3,4.



THOMAS MONFORT
Gentlemen prefer blondes---I hope
the ladies do.

F.F.A. 1,2,3,4; State Judging Team
3,4; Manager 2; Chorus 1; Football 1;
Parliamentary Procedure 2,3,4;



LAVERN CLEMENT
If silence were golden, this lad would
be rich.

F. F. A. 1,2,3,4



MARIANNE BLYTHE
She's full of fun, vigor, and vim, Look
at her future, it doesn't look dim.

F.H.A. 1,3,4; G.A.A. 1,3; Librarian 1,
2; Usher 3.



JOEL REYNOLDS
Not only good, but good for some-
thing.

State Judging Team 2,3; Parlia-
mentary Procedure 3; F.F.A. 1,2,3,4; In-
tramurals 1,2,3.



JOHN WELLAR BURNETT
Arthur Murray's pride and joy, Quite
a dancer is this boy.

Football 1,2,3; F.F.A. 1,2,3,4; Track
1,2; Parliamentary Procedure 2,3;
Varsity S 2.



SCRIBBLE PAGE

We, the Senior Class of 1954, knowing our death is soon to come but hoping we might not be forgotten, do hereby make this our last will and testament.

To the Underclassmen, we will the following:

Beverly Harter wills her "ability to get along with Mr. Zaborniak" to Joan Weinken.

Sharon Binkley wills her "blond hair" to Barbara Ickes.

Marianne Blythe wills her "out-of-town friends" to Phyllis Sever.

Anne Bowers wills her "driving permits" to Carol Goetz.

Marilyn Brenneman wills her "studying" to Mae Shanks.

Carolyn Coffman wills her "rides on Jennings' Bus" to Jane Patrick.

Connie Dershem wills her "friendliness" to Pat Williamson.

Georgia Fast wills her "pleasing personality" to Evelyn Leatherman.

Nancy Hixson wills her "cheerleading" to Jean Place.

Joyce McCain wills her "saxophone playing" to Lois Thompson.

Marty McMichael wills her "drum sticks" to Mary Lou Harbison

Beth Mace wills her "musical ability" to Lorna Strayer.

Phyllis Mason wills her "flute playing ability" to Caroleen Graessle.

Susan Miller wills "all her troubles with the annual" to next year's editor.

Eleanor Mulholland wills her "brothers and sisters" to Eva Rider.

Kay Pearson wills her "gift of gab" to Shirley Hook.

Gretchen Post wills her "friends" to Carol Bigelow.

Shirley Rohrbach wills her "ability to get the car" to Elsie Hamilton.

Marlene Turner wills her "charleston ability" to Merril Turner.

Marlene Wilkins wills her "Journal News problems" to Mrs. Clark.

Georgia Wisher wills her "ability to play basketball" to Judy Balthaser.

Shirley Wood wills her "clothes" to Linda Place.

Jack Boyer wills his "way with the girls" to Bob Renz.

John Burnett wills his "interest in the F. F. A." to John Moorman.

Lavern Clement wills his "shyness" to Homer Culver.

Thomas Clement wills his "tallness" to Gerald Bell.

Dick Fissel wills his "little feet" to Gene Goodwin.

Ed Martin wills his "ability to go with one girl" to Ted Biederman.

Bill Purdy wills his "athletic ability" to Charley Harter.

Norm Young wills his "car" to Earl Gaskill.

Mary Ortega wills her "pierced ears" to Marsha Gaskill.

Janice Zimmerman wills "her baby picture" to the annual.

Darrel Wolford wills his "freckles" to Ralph Rigdon.

George Wilson wills his "ability to twirl" to Darlene Goodwin.

Sam Sunderland wills his "jokes" to Eleanor Morris.

Carmen Rupert wills his "cute nose" to Larry Coil.

Ken Rider wills his "ability to win an argument" to Miss Fritz.

Joel Reynolds wills his "livestock" to Bill Bowersock.

Harold Point wills his "rides on the band bus" to Jay Seibert.

Tom Monfort wills his "TV business" to Mr. Collins.

Norm Lytle wills his "dish pan hands" to Russ Shark.

Linden Krouskop wills his "motor bike" to Dick Rider.

Gerald Keller wills his "nickname" to Dennis Wells.

Chuck Hausser wills his "beard" to Clair Zimmerman.

Bruce Harruff wills his "job of buffing" to Glenn Golliff.

Bill Graessel wills his "Kroger job" to Merl Gaskill.

Richard Fox wills "Converse" to Freda Burnett.

Paul Eutsler wills his "ability to be the life of the party" to Bill Oackes.

Bob Daugherty wills his "ability to study" to Keith Steiger.



Nancy Hixson

To the familiar melody of "Pomp and Circumstance" played by the Spencerville High School Band the black convertible moved slowly around the track and came to a stop in front of the bleachers. Miss Nancy Hixson and her court were introduced to the fans. Later at the dance sponsored annually by the G. A. A. Nancy was officially crowned Homecoming Queen of 1953 by honorary football captain Norman Young.

The theme of the dance was "Down By The Old Mill Stream." Outstanding on the program were songs by the Stardusters Quartet and a pantomime by Coach Crile and Jean Place. After the program everyone danced until midnight to the music of the Rhapsodiers.



left-to-right: Shirley Strayer, freshman attendant; Barbara Ickes, junior attendant; Norman Young, honorary football captain; Nancy Hixson, queen; Connie Dershem, senior attendant; Jane Patrick, sophomore attendant.





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Big Cats



Queen of the Big Top

Grand Entrance



Grand Finale



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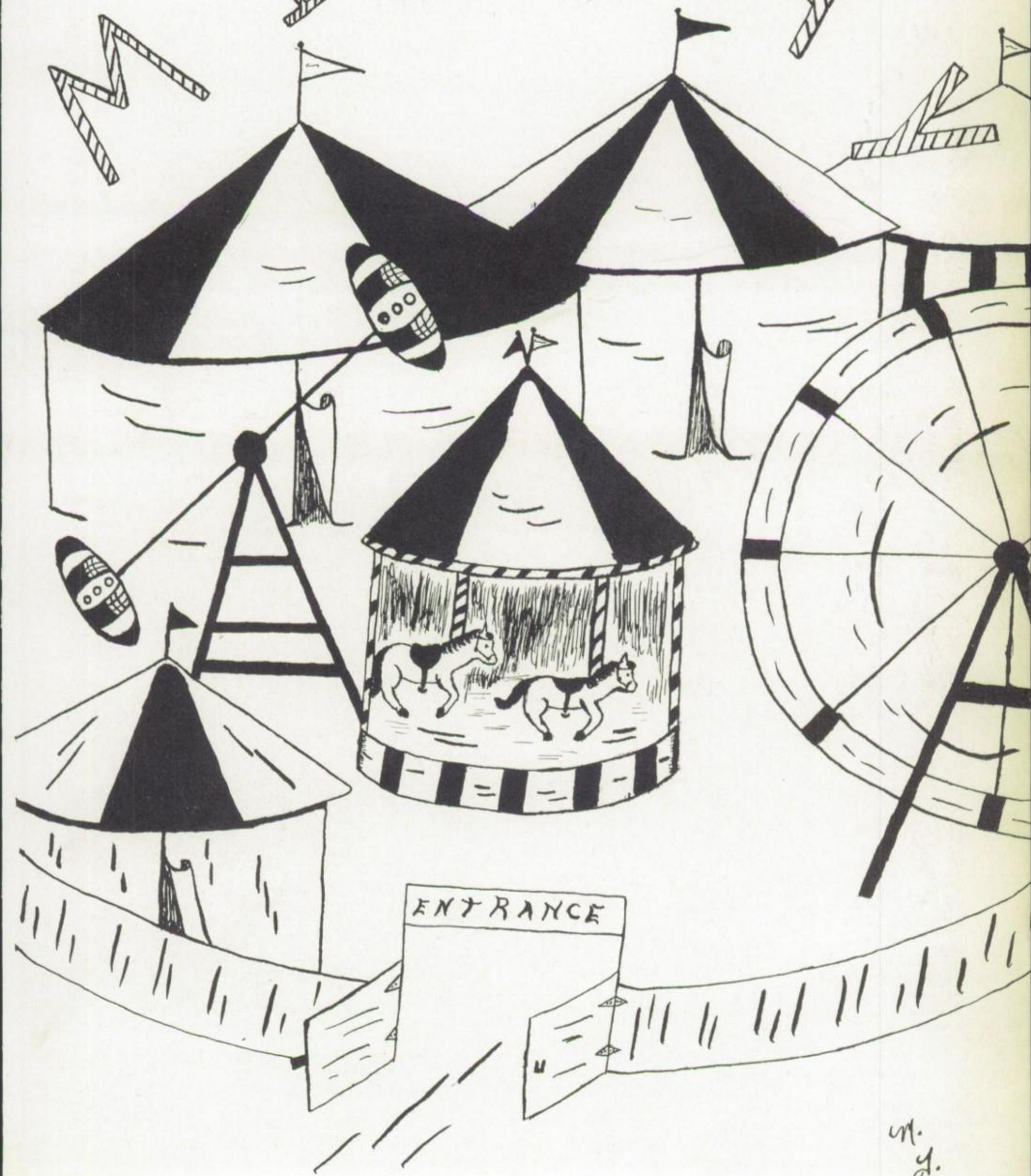
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MARIANNE BLYTHE
CARMEN RUPERT
BILL GRASSELE
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WAS SHORT
WASN'T MARRIED TO GORDIE
DIDN'T HAVE "DOUG" FOR A BROTHER
DIDN'T HAVE A CAR
WAS A BLONDE
LOST HER VOICE
DIDN'T HAVE A DIAMOND
HAD BLACK HAIR
HAD SHORT HAIR
WASN'T DRUM MAJOR
DIDN'T GO STEADY
WASN'T A FIERY REDHEAD
COULDN'T DRIVE
DIDN'T GO TO LAFAYETTE
WASN'T SUPERIOR
DIDN'T LIKE CHEVIES
COULDN'T DANCE
COULDN'T GIGGLE
COULDN'T WINK
WAS TALL
WASN'T A CHAUFFEUR FOR THE GIRLS
DIDN'T ARGUE
WENT STEADY
GOT TO SCHOOL ON TIME
LIVED IN TOWN
DIDN'T CHEW GUM
WAS AN ONLY CHILD
WAS SIX FEET TALL
WASN'T A SOPHOMORE FAN
HAD STRAIGHT HAIR
DIDN'T TEASE
HAD HIS APPENDIX
WAS FAT
DIDN'T STUDY SO HARD
LIKED GIRLS
WAS TALL
COULDN'T SEW
DIDN'T GET LETTERS FROM "SOUTH"
WAS A GRASSHOPPER
WAS REAL LOUD
DIDN'T RIDE THE JENNINGS BUS
HAD BEEN WITH US FOUR YEARS
WASN'T PRESIDENT
WAS A WO LF
DIDN'T WANT TO GET MARRIED
WASN'T A GOOD JOE
REALLY STUDIED
WAS NOT SO QUIET



1. Parties are fun!!! 2. Three of a kind!!!? 3. Junior trip. 4. Gretchen - Anne. 5. Home Ec. Class of '52.
 6. Posing Sophomores! 7. School's end!! 8. When day is done!! 9. Embrace me! 10. The skating quartet!
 11. Holdup! 12. So - long Bill! 13. Eating!! 14. Friends!!! 15. Summerdaze! 16. Poor
 Dick! 17. Happy??! 18. Pals! 19. Bowling green! 20. Beauty and the beast! 21. Waiting on
 Someone? 22. The Frosh gang!! 23. Going my way?!? 24. Sitting pretty! 25. Standing room only !!!?
 26. Mutt and Jeff. 27. More fun!! 28. Gretchen Chuck Sam. 29. 17th birthday! 30. Nancy Anne.

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JUNIOR CLASS

The junior class started the year with 56 members, adding one, Keith Young, during the year.

On November 20, 1953 the class play, "If Mother Only Knew," was presented.

Committees were chosen for the preparation of the Junior-Senior Prom and plans were soon under way for this big event.

In May the class enjoyed a trip to Dayton where they visited the National Cash Register, Wright Monument, and Fort Ancient.

The class would like to express their appreciation to their sponsors, Mr. Hausser and Miss Fritz and to the others who also aided in advising. Without their help the year could not have been the success which it was.

Officers - President, Evelyn Leatherman; Vice President, Clair Zimmerman; Secretary-Treasurer, Dennis Wells; Reporter, Mae Shanks; Student Council, Donelda Whetstone, Jay Siebert.

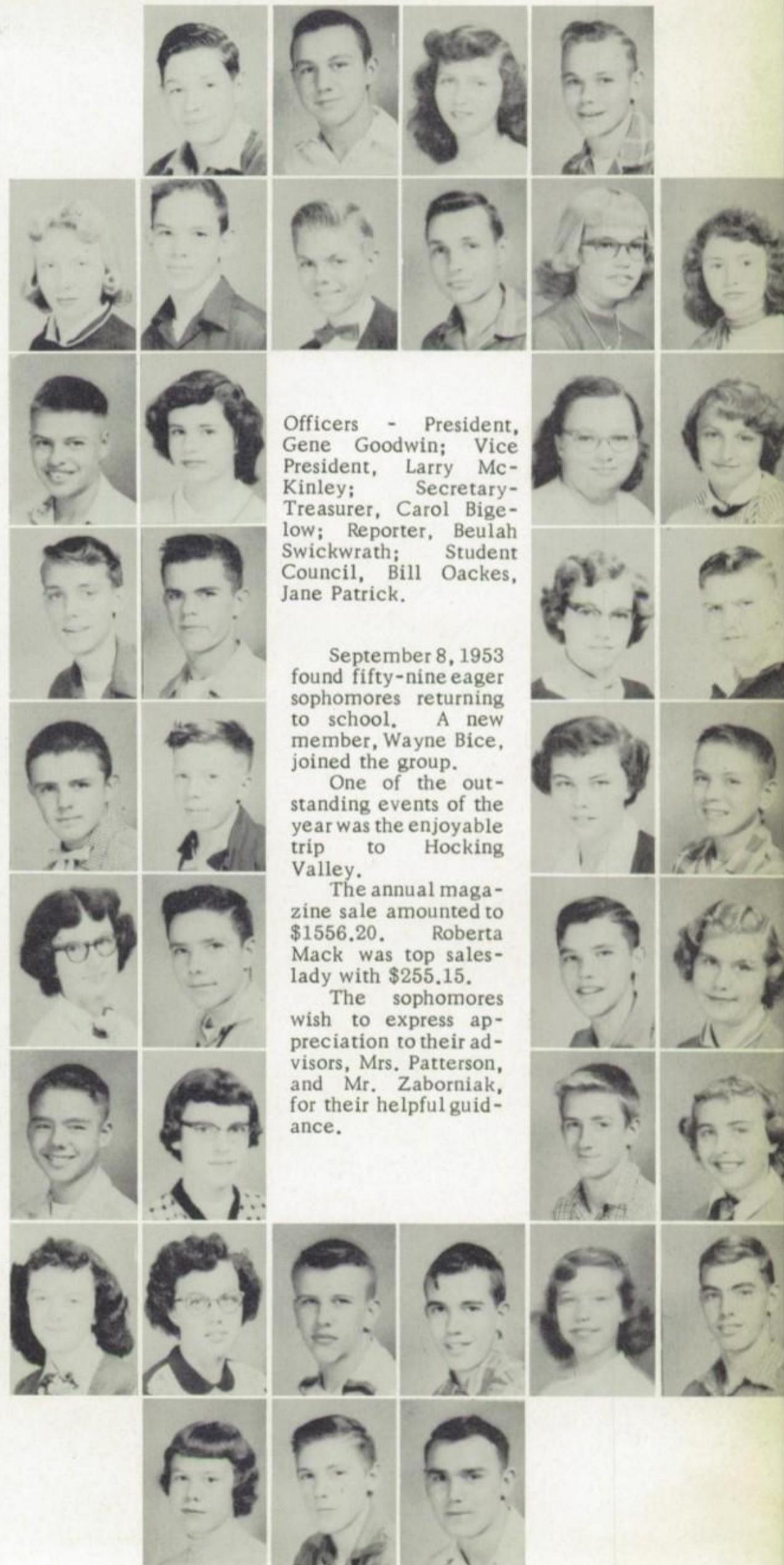
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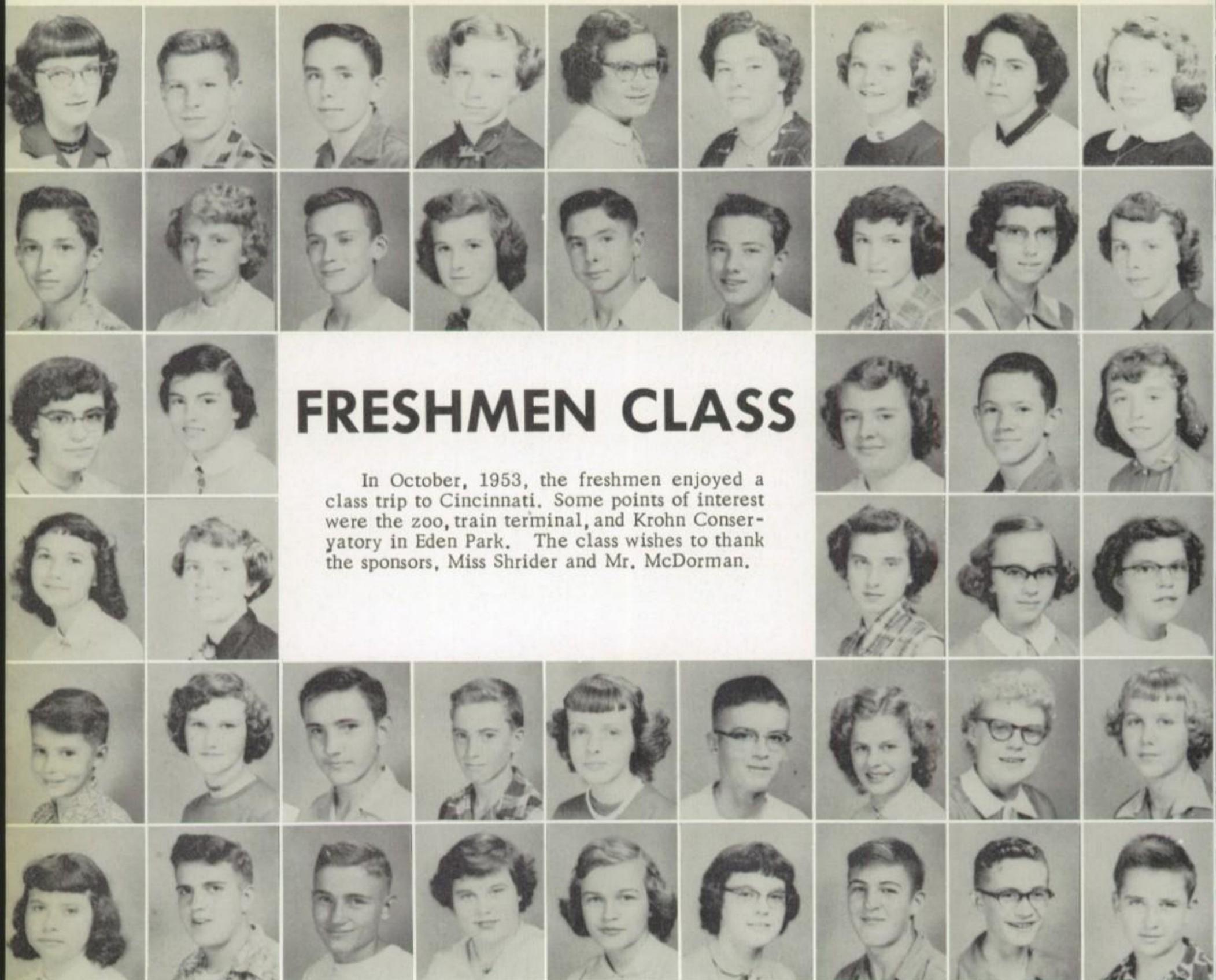
Officers - President, Gene Goodwin; Vice President, Larry McKinley; Secretary-Treasurer, Carol Bigelow; Reporter, Beulah Swickwrath; Student Council, Bill Oackes, Jane Patrick.

September 8, 1953 found fifty-nine eager sophomores returning to school. A new member, Wayne Bice, joined the group.

One of the outstanding events of the year was the enjoyable trip to Hocking Valley.

The annual magazine sale amounted to \$1556.20. Roberta Mack was top saleslady with \$255.15.

The sophomores wish to express appreciation to their advisors, Mrs. Patterson, and Mr. Zaborniak, for their helpful guidance.



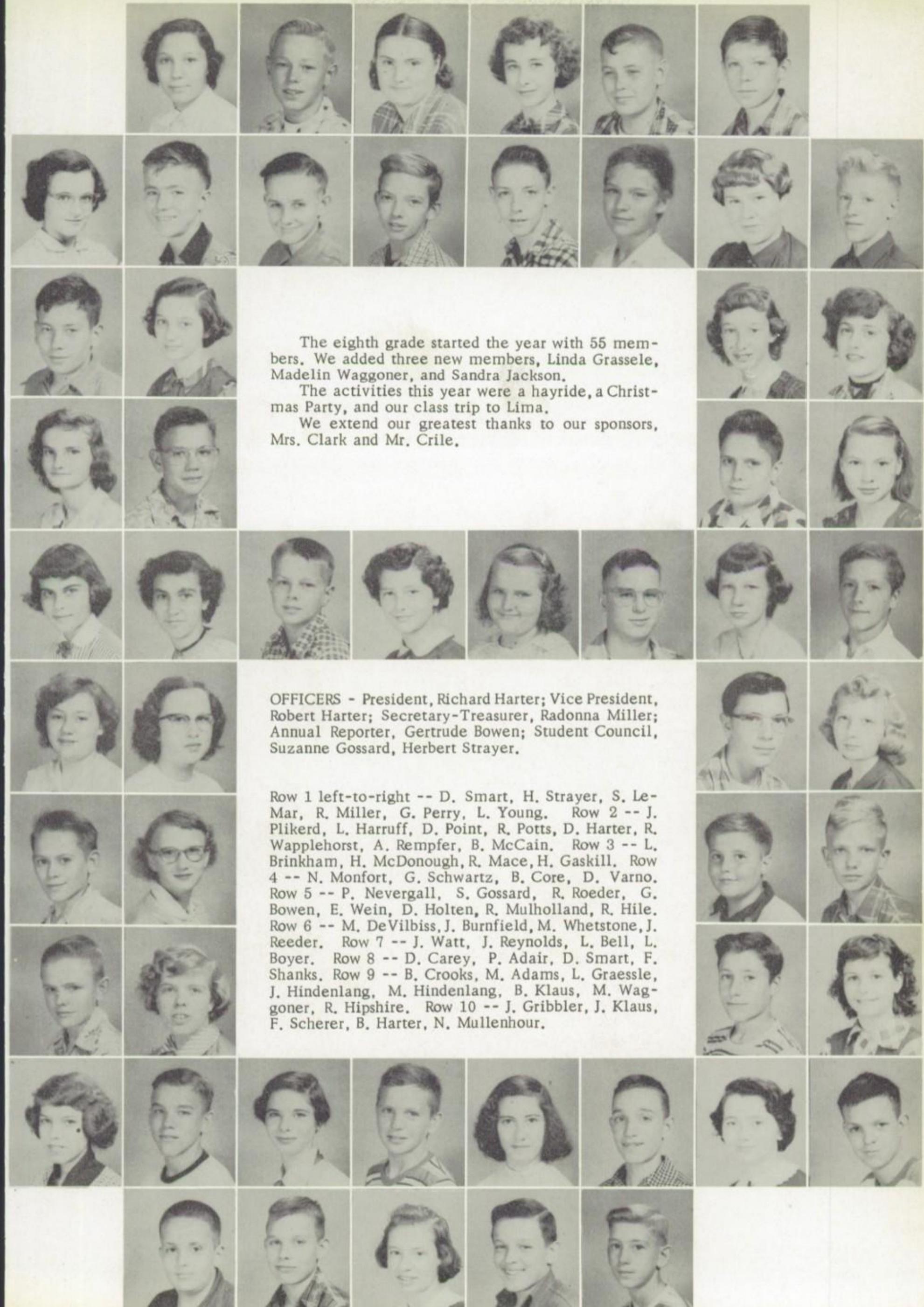
FRESHMEN CLASS

In October, 1953, the freshmen enjoyed a class trip to Cincinnati. Some points of interest were the zoo, train terminal, and Krohn Conservatory in Eden Park. The class wishes to thank the sponsors, Miss Shrider and Mr. McDorman.

OFFICERS - President, Jerry Nolan; Vice President, Ruth Champ; Secretary-Treasurer, Richard Putman; Student Council, Clifford Ball and Lois Thompson; Annual Reporter, Anita Medaugh.

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The eighth grade started the year with 55 members. We added three new members, Linda Grassele, Madelin Waggoner, and Sandra Jackson.

The activities this year were a hayride, a Christmas Party, and our class trip to Lima.

We extend our greatest thanks to our sponsors, Mrs. Clark and Mr. Crile.

OFFICERS - President, Richard Harter; Vice President, Robert Harter; Secretary-Treasurer, Radonna Miller; Annual Reporter, Gertrude Bowen; Student Council, Suzanne Gossard, Herbert Strayer.

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SEVENTH GRADE

September 9, 1953, was a red letter day for 51 students, 22 boys and 29 girls, as we proudly entered the seventh grade. We felt highly honored at being the first class to leave the beautiful new grade school building.

We found the change into junior high quite different from our past in the grade school but we have enjoyed it greatly and feel that we are adjusting ourselves to the new way.

Our class is well represented in the band, orchestra, and junior high basketball.

The one highlight of the year was the Christmas party.

Our thanks go to our teachers -- Mrs. Patterson, Mrs. Sarka, Miss Shrider, Mr. Collins, and Miss Deemer and especially to our sponsors, Mrs. Heidlebaugh and Mr. Collins.

Officers - President, Jim Krendl; Vice President, Joyce Strayer; Secretary-Treasurer, Patty Snyder; Reporter, Joan Wright; Student Council, Jim Mericle, Judy Hiles.

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High School Absentees

Top Row left-to-right -- J. Place, K. Young, A. Klaus, T. Bell, W. Schuller, C. Potts. Bottom Row -- C. Auer, J. Lotz, S. Jackson, J. Carey, L. Meeker.



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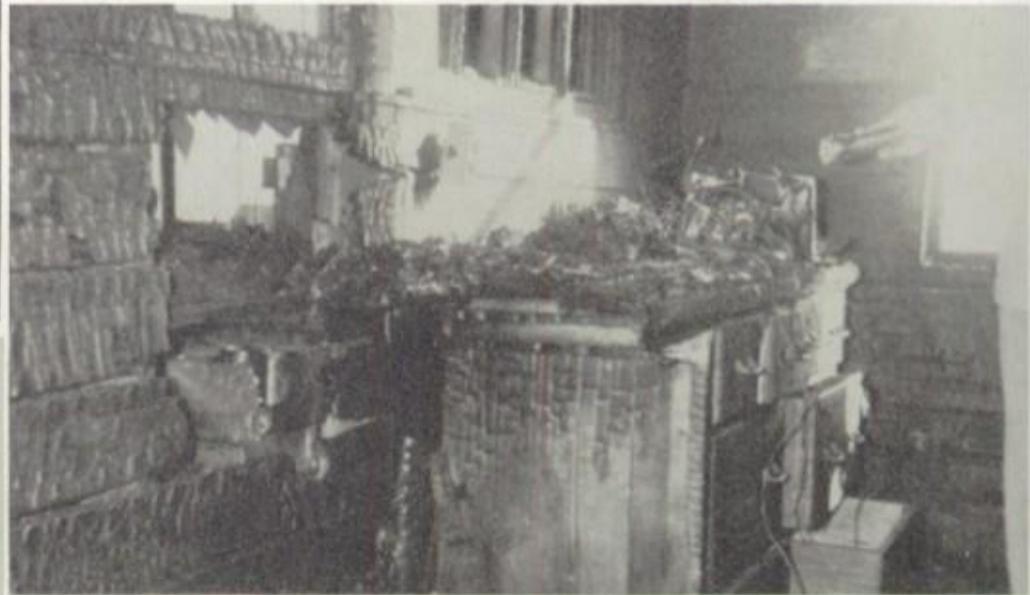
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UNDER THE BIG TOP





Fred P. Doseck
Bowling Green State
University
Ohio State University
B.S. in Education
Elementary Principal
and Grade Sixth

Tell me not, in mournful
numbers,
"Life is but an empty
dream"
Life is real! Life is earnest!
And the grave is not its
goal.



Mildred Leis
Bowling Green State
University
Grad. in Ped.
First Grade

Miss Jane Miller
Bowling Green State
University
B.S. in Education
Third Grade

Mrs. Edith Boroff
Bowling Green State University
B.S. in Education
Fourth Grade

Mrs. Helen Wisher
Ohio Northern University
B.S. in Education
Fifth Grade



"The thing that goes
the farthest
Toward making life
worthwhile,
That costs the least and
does the most
Is just a pleasant
smile."

Mrs. Pauline Meihls
Ohio Northern University
Grad. In Ped.
Second Grade



Believe that you can and you
will not fail,
Though mighty the task begun!
Believe that you can though
hard the trail,
And rugged the road you run!

-- Author Unknown



To work out our life
problems, we need to
add love, subtract hate,
multiply good, and
divide between truth
and error.

Miss Betty Clantz
Bowling Green State
University
Ohio Northern University
University of Colorado
Grad. in Ped.
B. S. in Education
First Grade

Be thou the rainbow to the
storms of life!
The evening beam that
smiles the clouds away
And tints tomorrow with
prophetic ray.

-- Byron

For, lo, the winter is past, the
rain is over, and gone;
The flowers appear on the
earth; the time of the singing
of birds is come, and the voice
of the turtle is heard in our
land.

-- Song of Solomon 2:12





Mary Ann (Zimmerman) Lawrence
Ohio Northern University
Cadet Course
Second Grade

Just being happy is a fine
thing to do --
Looking on the bright side
rather than the blue.

He who has books for
company,
Has friends for solitude.



Daisy Coit
Miami University
Ohio Northern University
Grad. in Ped.
Third Grade

Dorothea Plikerd
Ohio Northern University
Cadet Course
Fourth Grade

Mrs. Mabel Wright
Bowling Green State University
Grad. in Ped.
Grade 1

Iva Grassley
Defiance College
Ohio Northern University
Grad. in Ped.
Sixth Grade



A good action is never
lost; it is a
treasure laid up and
guarded for the doer's
need.

Mrs. Cleta Brincefield
Ohio Northern University
Bowling Green State
College
Grad. in Ped.
Grade Five



Anything worth doing at all is
worth doing well.

Our greatest glory is not in
falling; but in rising every
time we fall.
-- Confucious

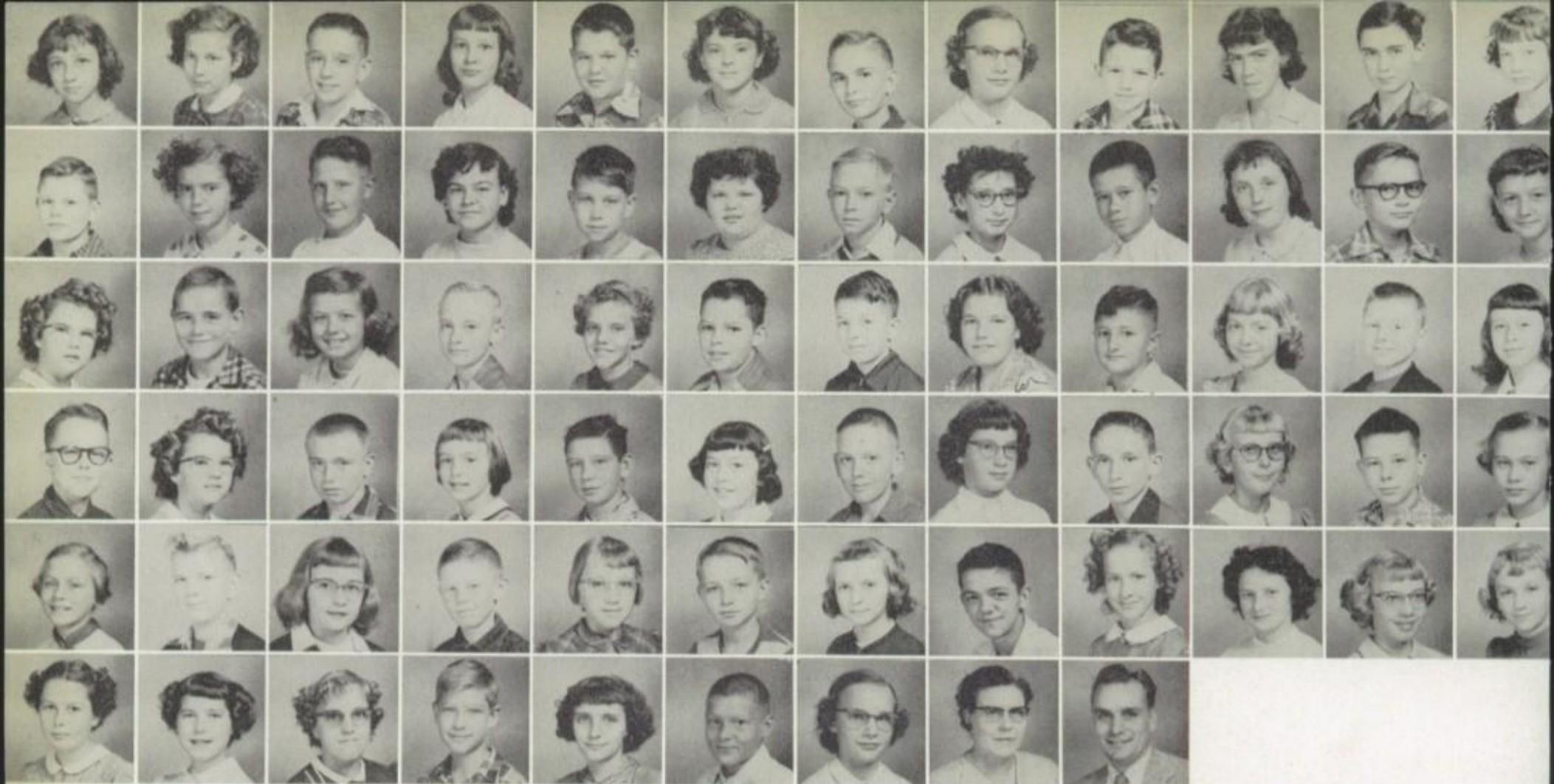
The heights of great
men reached and kept
Were not attained by
sudden flight
But they, while their
companions slept
Were toiling upward in
the night.

Donna Iler
Morehead State College
Ohio State University
A B
Music



And when the great musician
plays in notes of joy or pain
Then let my heart respond and
sing, through in a minor
strain
A wondrous song, a living
song, a rapturous song to
send
And in a thrilling major
chord, there, let life end.
-- Elizabeth Moore





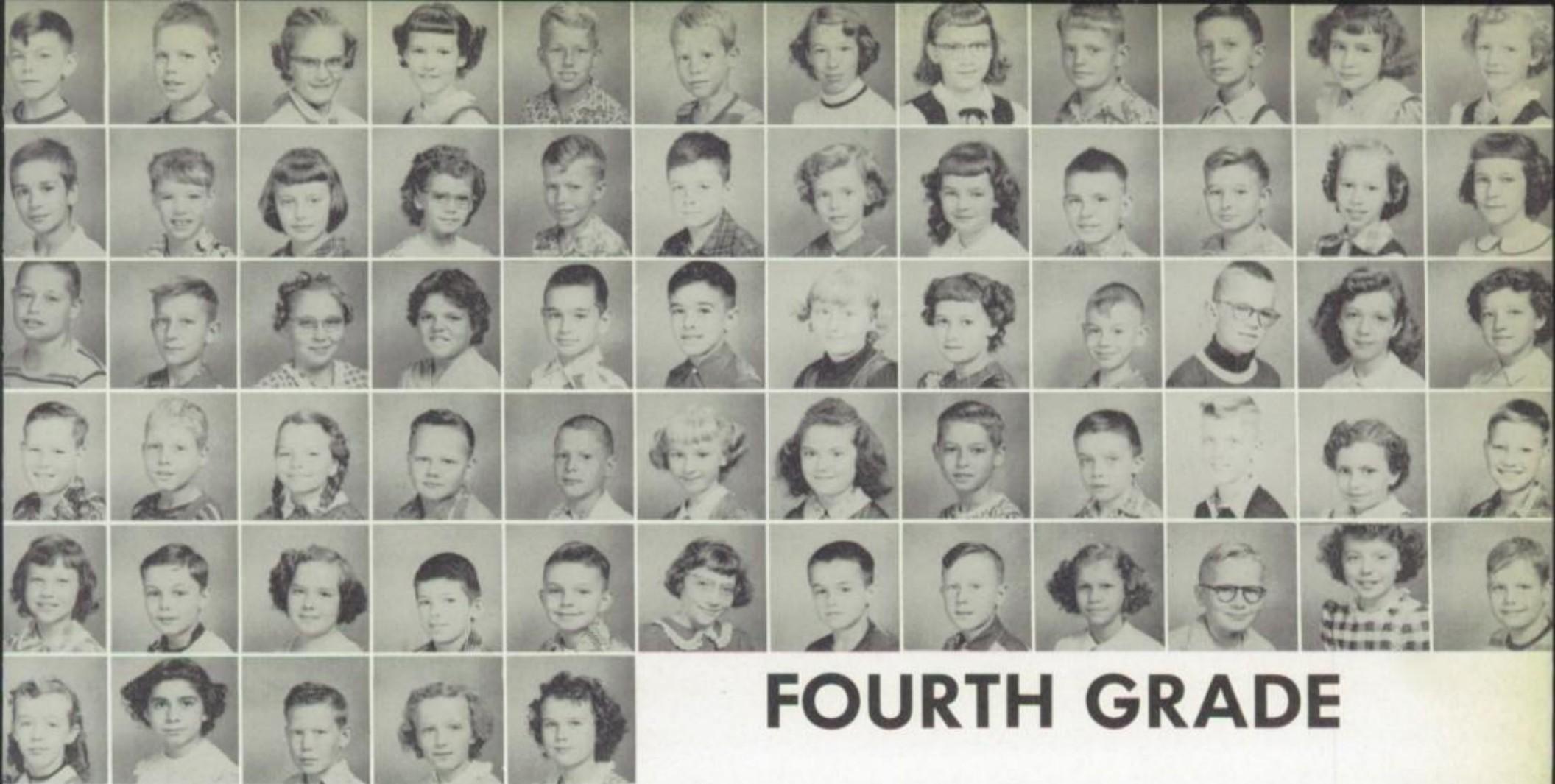
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SIXTH GRADE

FIFTH GRADE

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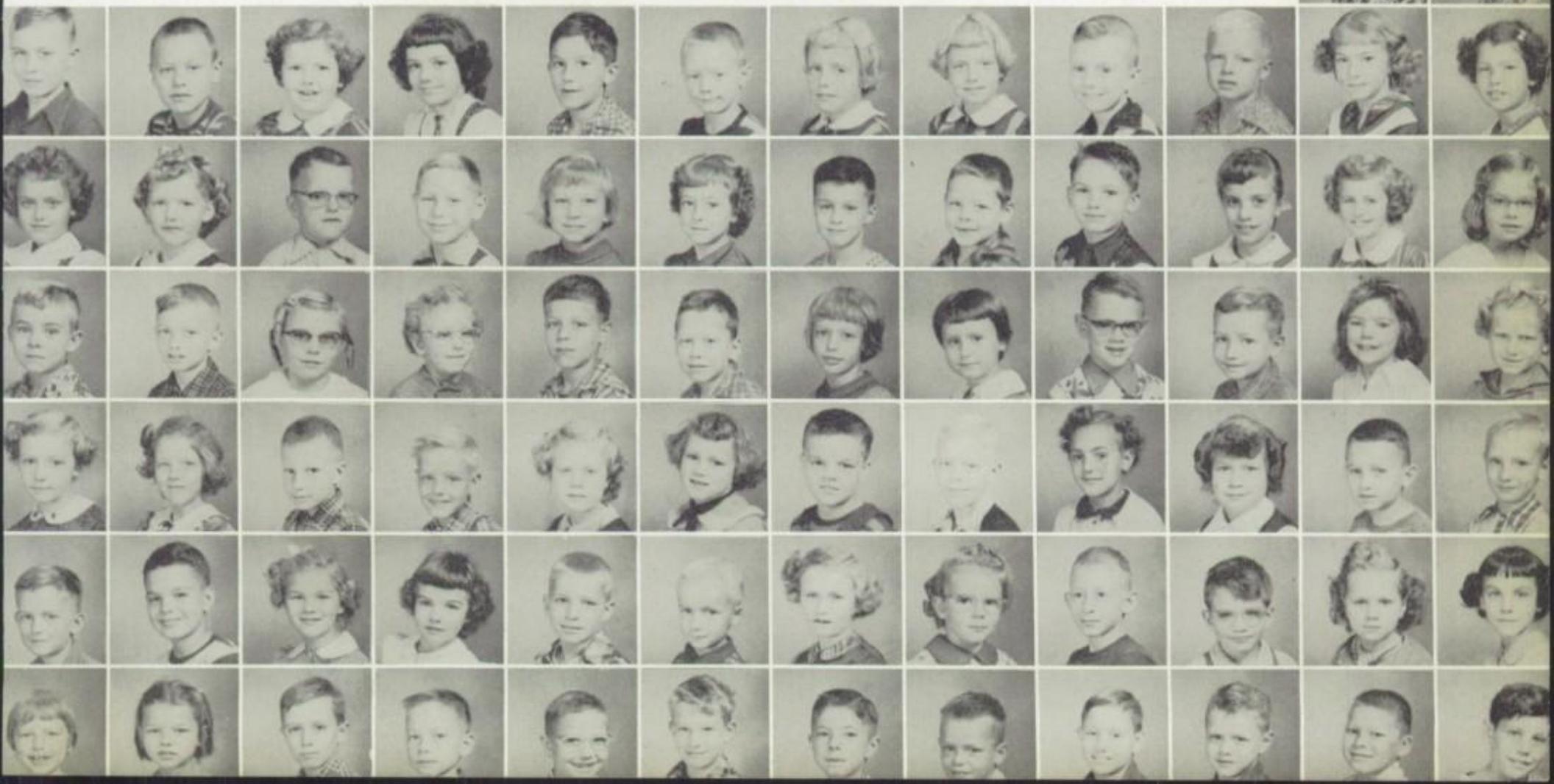


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FIRST GRADE





Top Row: D. Gross, K. Maurer, B. Boedecker, J. Schaub, K. Krone, C. Metzger, L. Horvath, G. Adams, J. Jacks, N. Shaffer; Bottom Row: B. McMichael, J. Howell, B. McKinley, F. Metzger, M. Myers, C. Casey, C. Neuman, J. Lammers, E. McDonough, L. Stolzenburg.

Mrs. Edna Branstetter
Ohio Northern University
Kindergarten



These are the things to
cherish:
A seed, and a dream, and a
child;
Else must the nations per-
ish,
And earth fall away to the
wild.

-- Author Unknown

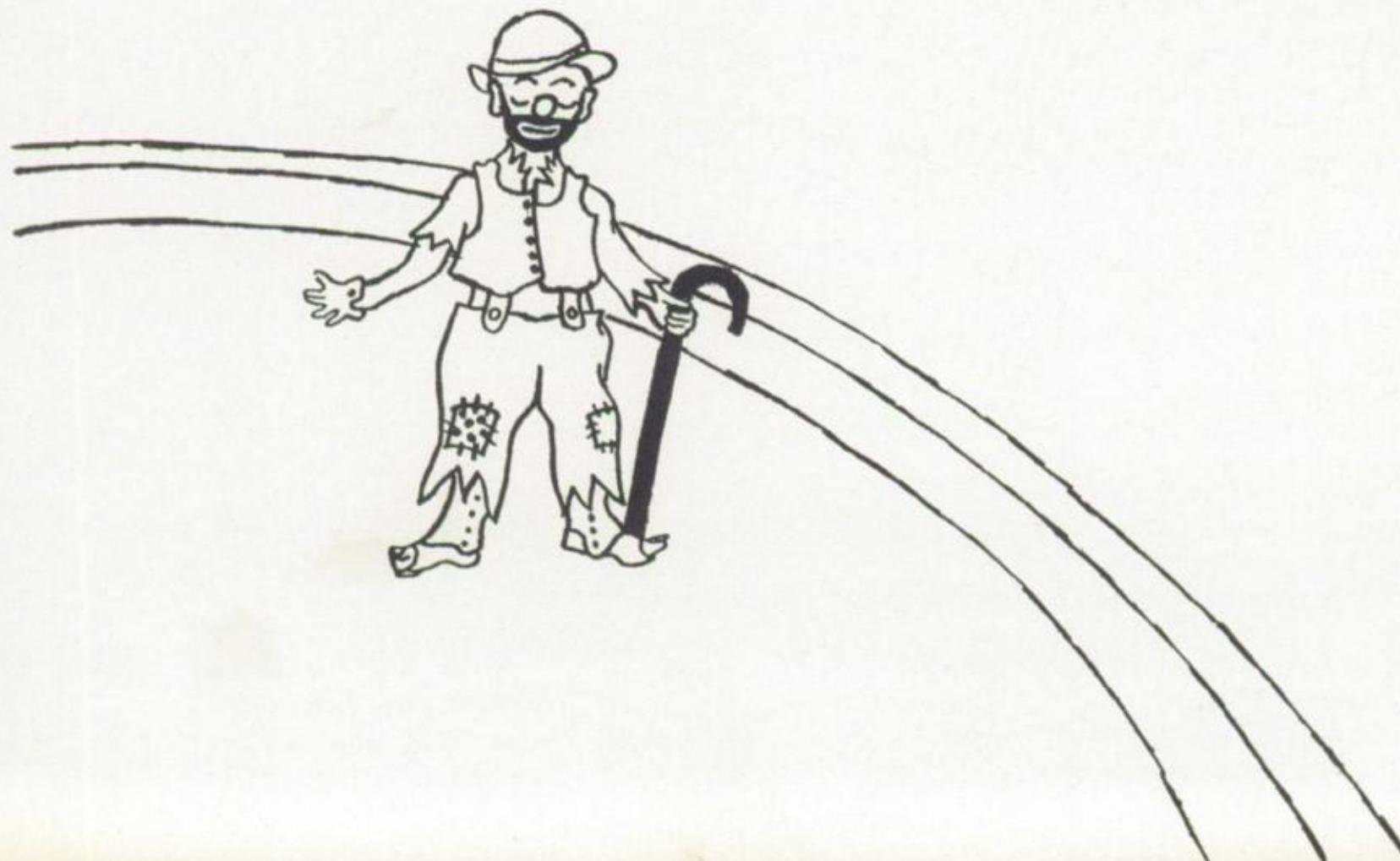
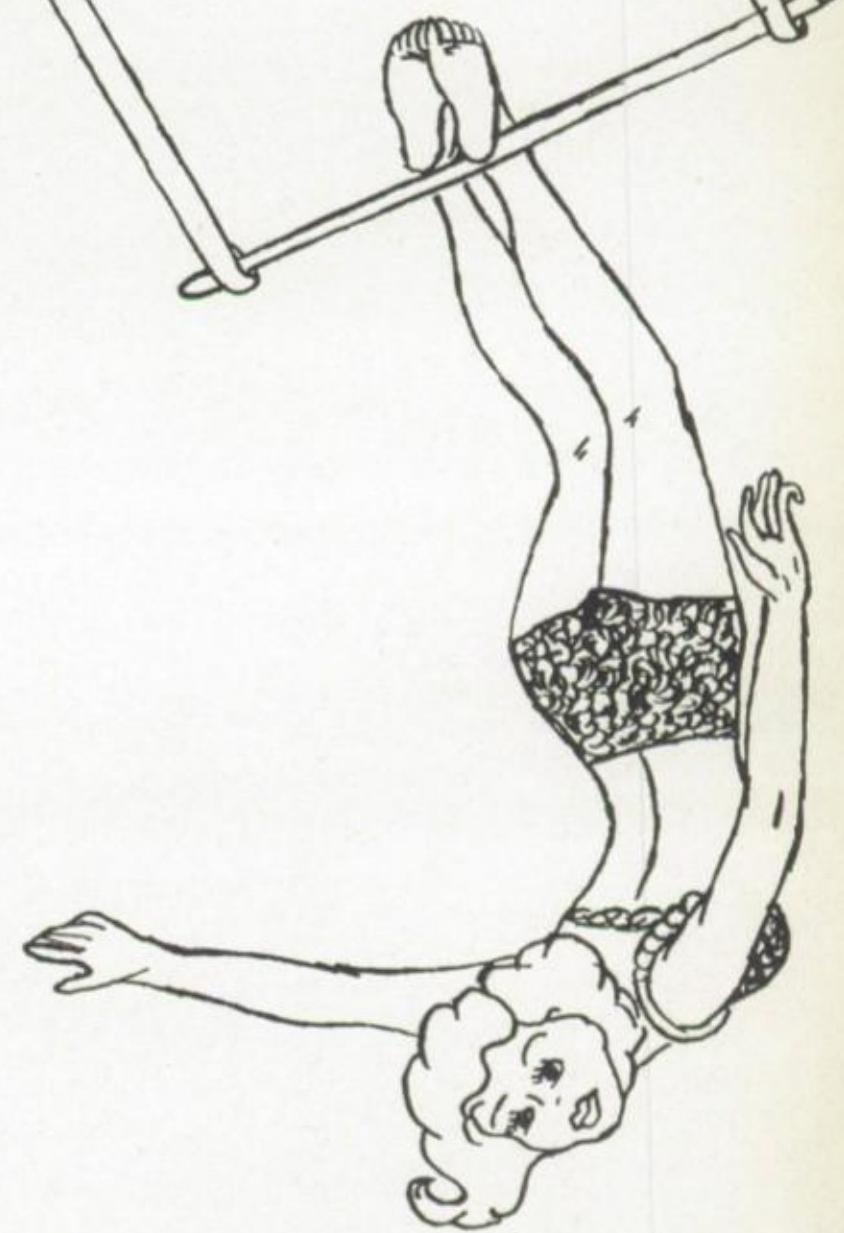
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G. Gosset, S. Burtchin, D. Koenig, P. Fisher, T.
Grace, G. Burden, D. Boyer, J. McCain, C. Krendl,
M. Young, M. Schosker, K. Wurst; Bottom Row: T.
Shobe, B. Medaugh, W. Varno, P. Coburn, S. Brown,
S. Boyer, P. Brooks, R. Lee, O. Neimeyer, D. Sunder-
land.



CIRCUS RECORD

Name	Nickname	Pastime	Cause of Death
Jack Boyer	"Boyer"	Sports	Steadie vs studies
John Burnett	"Willie"	Dancing lessons	Blisters
Lavern Clement	"Moose"	Hunting parked cars	Found one
Thomas Clement	"Slats"	F.F.A.	Girls
Robert Daugherty	"Bob"	Saxophone	Ran out of reeds
Paul Eutsler	"Useless"	Livestock	Kicked by a cow
Richard Fissel	"Dick"	Sports	The coach
Richard Fox	"Eagle"	Shop	McDorman
William Graessle	"Bill"	Throwing things	Late hours
Bruce Harruff	"Hairy"	Basketball	Ida Kay
Charles Hausser	"Chuck"	Sports	Ed
Gerald Keller	"Grasshopper"	F.F.A.	F.H.A.
Linden Krouskop	"Krous"	Junior Play	Wearing a mustache
Norman Lytle	"Norm"	Parties	The law
Edward Martin	"Ed"	Seeing Nellie home	Mrs. Paglow
Thomas Monfort	"Tom"	TV	Drive-Ins
Harold Point	"Skillet"	Getting into trouble	Getting out
William Purdy	"Pretty-Boy"	Hidden ball play	Lost the ball
Joel Reynolds	"Joe"	Fairs	The Midway
Carmen Rupert	"Jo"	Playing fire bug	Kay Pearson
Kenneth Rider	"Ken"	Teasing Gretchen	Gretchen
Samuel Sunderland	"Sam"	Trombone	Kroger's
George Wilson	"George"	Twirling	Hit by a baton
Darrel Wolford	"Red"	F.F.A. trip	Kansas City
Norman Young	"Norm"	Football	The huddles
Janice Zimmerman	"Tweet-Tweet"	Captain	Dick
Sharon Binkley	"Jake"	Drums	Someone slept
Marianne Blythe	"Marianne"	Pajama parties	Harrod girls
Anne Bowers	"Annie"	Paul	Broke her jaw
Marilyn Brenneman	"Marilyn"	Talking	Choir
Carolyn Coffman	"Coffee"	Church	
Connie Dershem	"Constance"	meeting	
Georgia Fast	"Jeanie"	Laughing	Feathers
Beverly Harter	"Bev"	Gordon	Draft Board
Nancy Hixson	"Nancy"	No lunches	Starvation
Joyce McCain	"Jo"	G.A.A.	Class Prophecy
Martha McMichael	"Marty"	Cheerleading	Team Bus
Beth Mace	"Beth"	Driving the car	License revoked
Phyllis Mason	"Phyl"	Driving the	The jeep
Susan Miller	"Prof"	Buick	
Eleanor Mulholland	"Ellie"	Walt	Music
Kay Pearson	"Kay"	Dick	Probation Officer
Gretchen Post	"Gretch"	Annual Editor	Editorial Staff
Shirley Rohrbach	"Shirl"	Writing letters	Got an answer
Meralene Turner	"Meralene"	Getting her dress on fire	Smoke got in her eyes
Marlene Wilkins	"Marl"	Dave	53 Chevy Convertible
Georgia Wisher	"George"	Looking slim	Dieting
Shirley Wood	"Proxie"	Dancing	Bunny Hop
Mary Ortega	"Mary"	Journal News	Annual
		Gerald	Teaching gym
		Cafeteria	Light'n Bright
		Baby-sitting	Pierced ears

PERFORMERS





First row left-to-right: V. Clement, B. Gossard, F. Gaskill, R. Mulholland, T. McPheron, S. Blythe, E. Goodwin, L. Wilkins, D. Fryer, D. Wolford, A. Eutsler, S. Macklin, B. Wein, S. Schwartz, A. Klaus, C. Ball. Second row: J. Wilkins, J. Moorman, G. Coil, G. Golliff, B. Bowersock, C. Zimmerman, T. Biederman, C. Kill, D. Wolford, L. Coil, E. Fair, F. Kill, R. Schwartz, B. Renz, J. Seibert, B. McDonough. Third row: M. Simindinger, T. Clement, P. Eutsler, N. Lytle, J. Reynolds, J. Boyer, H. Point, Mr. Hummel, D. Wolford, G. Keller, T. Monfort, J. Burnett, L. Clement, D. Wilson, E. Whetstone.

FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA

President Darrel Wolford
 Secretary Jack Boyer
 Reporter Gerald Keller

Vice President Harold Point
 Treasurer Tom Monfort
 Sentinel Joel Reynolds

Advisor - Richard L. Hummel

This year was the 25th Anniversary of the Future Farmers of America. This was a highly successful year for our local chapter.

Hugh Seibert, Bill Morris, Joe Winegardner and LaVern Miller were honored with the State Farmer Degree.

The chapter received a gold award in the Chapter, Co-operation Farm Safety, Junior Parliamentary Procedure Team and the Senior Parliamentary Procedure Teams. LaVerne Miller was rated Silver in the Public Speaking Contests.

Thirty two boys exhibited 178 projects at the Allen, Auglaize, and State Fairs. Many high honors were achieved by these exhibitors.

Ten boys attended the National F. F. A. Convention in Kansas City and Mr. Hummel took the Senior Class to the International Livestock Show and other points of interest at Chicago.

Working Hard????

Where's the tree!!!!





First row-left to right-C. Graessle, J. Degen, P. Jones, S. Strayer, B. Swickwarth, S. Reynolds, M. Brooks, R. Malone, P. Rider, R. Champ, B. Knapp, B. Brincefield, P. Williamson, M. Daugherty, E. Monfort, D. Beamond, B. Hoch, D. Goodwin. Row 2-C. Bigelow, M. Stallter, J. Miller, M. Shanks, J. Hance, P. Sever, E. Leatherman, M. Harbison, E. Hamilton, E. Miller, L. Place, L. Shepler, G. Daniels, L. Thompson, L. Miller. Row 3-E. Rider, M. Lamon, C. Dershem, M. Blythe, R. Mack, S. Miller, J. Balthaser, Mrs. Hiedlebaugh, J. Zimmerman, S. Rohrbach, R. Croft, S. Wood, P. Adams, M. Mullenhour, D. Vulgamott, S. Reynolds, K. Adams.

FUTURE HOMEMAKERS OF AMERICA

President Janice Zimmerman
Vice-President Judy Balthaser
Secretary Shirley Rohrbach
Treasurer Roberta Mack

Program Chairman Susan Miller
Reporter Martha McMichael
Historian Evelyn Leatherman
Recreation Leader Ruth Croft

Advisor - Mrs. Hiedlebaugh

Under the supervision of Mrs. Hiedlebaugh the Future Homemakers of America held their monthly meetings on the second Monday of each month. At these meetings problems of importance to all girls were discussed along with our other projects, which included several bake sales and a successful Harvest Hop which was held in November. Another highlight of the year was the annual Mother and Daughter Banquet, which was held in the Spring. All the girls have enjoyed working in the FHA this past year and want to sincerely thank Mrs. Hiedlebaugh for her supervision.

Third Prize float

Swing your partner!





First row left-to-right: R. Champ, K. Adams, B. Knapp, G. Daniels, M. Moorman, J. Degen, L. Miller, A. Medaugh, E. Morris, D. Whetstone, P. Adams, C. Graessle, K. Adams, R. Croft, P. Williamson, N. Hamilton, B. Greber, E. Monfort, F. Burnett, R. Malone. Second row: P. Rider, M. Miller, K. Beamond, S. Strayer, E. Leatherman, E. Miller, M. Harbison, L. Place, M. Laman, J. Wienken, E. Hamilton, C. Goetz, M. Stallter, M. Brooks, B. Brincefield, C. Bigelow, B. Hoch, B. Swickwrath. Third row: M. Wilkins, K. Pearson, C. Coffman, J. Zimmerman, S. Wood, M. Turner, J. Balthaser, P. Risher, S. Rohrbach, Mrs. (Zimmerman) Lawrence, B. Harter, R. Mack, J. McCain, A. Bowers, S. Binkley, G. Fast, G. Wisher, S. Miller, G. Post.

GIRLS' ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

President Beverly Harter
Vice President Shirley Rohrbach

Secretary Judy Balthaser
Treasurer Phyllis Risher

Reporter - Roberta Mack

The G. A. A. held monthly meetings on the third Thursday evening of each month with the guidance of either Mrs. (Zimmerman) Lawrence, Miss Iler, or Miss Fritz.

One of the main highlights of the year was the annual Mother and Daughter Banquet in the spring.

The G. A. A. would like to thank their advisors for the time and effort given to make this year a success.

Interesting??



Tired?



Convention??





Top Row left-to-right: D. Becker, E. Gaskill, M. Gaskell, K. Rider, B. Daugherty, D. Fissel, B. Graessle, M. Oretga, Miss Fritz. Bottom Row: G. Post, K. Pearson, A. Bowers, S. Miller, L. Place, J. Balthaser, E. Leatherman, M. Laman.

LATIN CLUB

Under the direction of Miss Pearl Fritz and the second year Latin students a Latin Club was organized. Its meetings were held on the second Thursday of every month.

An elaborate initiation was given when the first year Latin students were taken into the club.

The club would like to express its appreciation to Miss Fritz who helped to make a successful year.

FUTURE BUSINESS LEADERS OF AMERICA

The Future Business Leaders of America, Chapter 741, was installed at Spencerville High School March 30, 1953. The purpose of the club is to create a better understanding between the school and the business people of the community; and by working together, to help the students prepare themselves more fully for a useful place in the business world. All business students are members.



Row 1 left-to-right: M. DeVilbiss, Mrs. Clark, C. Goetz, L. Strayer. Row 2: D. Vulgamott, G. Reynolds, S. Hile, P. Risher, S. Reynolds, J. Hance, B. Ickes, P. Martin, E. Miller, P. Adams. Row 3: E. Jones, J. Patrick, B. Swickwrath, K. Adams, J. Wiswasser, D. Whetstone, M. Harbison, E. Hamilton, J. Wienken, M. Shanks.



First row left-to-right: J. Strayer, G. Fast, S. Rohrbach, J. McDorman, M. Brenneman, J. McCain, J. Strayer. Second row: B. Harter, S. Miller, J. Fronk, R. Long, M. Wilkins. A. Bowers. Third row: L. Harter, M. Sprague, J. Core, D. Harter, H. Point.

HONOR SOCIETY

Once again Spencerville played host to the 1953 honor students of Allen County. After a delicious dinner the guests were invited to the auditorium where they enjoyed a varied program presented by the different schools. The evening's program was concluded by a talk on The Growth of Nationalism by Dr. J. E. Hartzler.

JOURNAL NEWS

Editor Marlene Wilkins
Assistant Editor David Becker
Advisor Mrs. Clark
Reporters 12th-Susan Miller
11th-Mae Shanks
10th-Beulah Swickrath
9th-Anita Medaugh
8th-Gertrude Bowen
7th-Joan Wright
Special News Items Eleanor Mulholland
Audrey Wolford

F.F.A. Gerald Keller
F.H.A. Martha McMichael
G.A.A. Roberta Mack
F.B.L.A. Elsie Hamilton
Shop Edith Jones
Band Bruce Harruff
Junior High Basketball Joyce McCain
Home Economics Bob Harter
Typists Marianne Blythe
Meralene Turner,
Georgia Fast



First row left-to-right:
E. Mulholland, G.
Fast, M. Turner, D.
Becker, M. Wilkins, S.
Miller, B. Harruff, G.
Keller. Standing: J.
Wright, E. Jones, M.
Shanks, A. Medaugh,
A. Wolford, R. Mack,
B. Swickrath, E.
Hamilton, G. Bowen,
S. Rohrbach, Mrs.
Clark.

STUDENT COUNCIL

President. Joyce McCain
Secretary. Donelda Whetstone

The Student Council is a democratic organization composed of two members elected from each class. Through this council the students help to solve their own problems concerning the halls, assemblies, and cafeteria. The council also supervises such matters as the Homecoming festivities and the election of cheerleaders both varsity and junior high.

Standing--J. Mericle, S. Gossard, Miss Deemer, Mr. Hausser, H. Strayer, J. Hile. Seated--C. Ball, L. Thompson, J. Seibert, D. Whetstone, J. McCain, N. Lytle, B. Oackes, J. Patrick.



Standing--L. Thompson, K. Beamond, E. Leatherman, C. Trippy, A. White, S. Reynolds, J. Wiswasser, J. Reynolds; B. Swickwrath. Seated--E. Hamilton, P. Martin, M. Ortega, M. Shanks, Miss Fritz.

LIBRARIANS

The librarians consist of a group of girls from grades nine through twelve. These girls devote one period a day to the duties of signing out books and magazines, checking them in, and helping find proper reading material for students. The substitutes put time in whenever they are needed. Besides the personal satisfaction they receive from a job well done they are a valuable asset to our school.



Row 1 left-to-right--J. Wright, M. Shanks, E. Jones, S. Binkley, J. McCain, P. Mason, R. Mack, G. Bowen, A. Me-
daugh. Row 2--M. Ortega, B. Daugherty, B. Purdy, G. Post, B. Harter, B. Swickwrath, M. Turner, J. Zimmerman.
Row 3--K. Pearson, Mrs. Sarka, H. Point, A. Bowers. Seated--N. Hixson, C. Coffman, G. Fast, S. Miller, S. Rohr-
bach, M. Wilkins, B. Harruff, G. Keller.

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Post, Nancy Hixson, Joyce McCain, Mary Ortega,
Anne Bowers
Typists. Georgia Fast, Shirley Rohrbach,
Eleanor Mulholland, Janice Zimmerman, Bob Daugherty,
Sharon Binkley, Carolyn Coffman, Nancy Hix-
son

The yearbook got off to an early start with several meetings last summer at Mrs. Sarka's home. When school began, the theme had been chosen and everyone could get right down to work.

Many busy, productive hours were spent in room 23 selecting pictures, writing copy, and drawing layouts. Everyone who helped deserves a lot of credit for making this yearbook what it is.

We, the Staff, would like to thank everyone for the fine co-operation received not only in the advertising field but also in the literary and picture departments. We would especially like to thank Mrs. Sarka for her guidance throughout the year.

SCRIBBLE PAGE



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MIXED CHORUS

President..... Jay Seibert
Vice-President..... Clair Zimmerman
Secretary-Treasurer..... Kay Pearson
Librarians..... George Wilson - Georgia Fast

The Mixed Chorus got off to a good start at the beginning of the school year with a goodly number of students. There was only one thing wrong, there was a large defecit of boys. This was later cleared up by quite a few eighth graders who joined chorus the second semester.

The club was very active during the school year participating in Thanksgiving and Christmas programs. Much time and effort were spent in the preparation for the Eistedfodd and Choral Contest at Ada.

The Mixed Chorus has had a very successful and enjoyable year under the direction of Mr. Trunk.

7TH AND 8TH CHORUS

Row 1-left to right-K. Schwartz, M. Hindenlang, H. Gaskill, C. Bowersock, S. LeMar, J. Gribler, D. Holten, W. Baldwin, Jim Williamson, D. Smart, M. Waggoner, J. Burnfield, A. Rempfer, D. Varno, K. Zuber, E. Wein. Row 2-S. Trippy, E. Miller, H. McDonough, J. Gales, M. Kill, B. Crooks, N. Monfort, J. Plikerd, F. Shanks, D. Keller, D. Smart, R. Klaus, B. Crooks, L. Boyer, P. McKinley, J. Wright, J. Strayer, L. Miller. Row 3-G. Bowen, L. Binkley, J. Carey, M. DeVilbiss, P. Nevergall, L. Graessle, J. Reynolds, J. Medsker, R. Wapplehorst, B. Core, D. Point, B. McCain, R. Gieberdiel, S. Point, J. Hiles, Miss Iler.





Row 1 left-to-right--B. Bowersock, L. Reeder, E. Fair, J. Adair, C. Kill, L. Wilkins, G. Goodwin. Row 2-Mr. Trunk, R. Mulhol- land, W. Bice, G. Golliff, J. Coil, G. Wilson, M. Turner. Row 3-E. Whet- stone, R. Putman, R. Rig- don, B. Failor, J. Wilkins, C. Ball, Accompanist M. Brooks.

BOYS' GLEE CLUB

President. Clair Zimmerman
Vice-President. Jay Seibert
Secretary-Treasurer. Earl Fair
Librarian. Jim Wilkins

The Glee Club participated in several assemblies during the school year including Thanksgiving and the Christmas Programs. They also entered the District Contest and the County Eisteddfod. The boys did a grand job in the annual Spring Concert. The members would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr. Trunk for his able guidance throughout the year.

GIRLS' GLEE CLUB

President. Beverly Harter
Vice-President. Sharon Binkley
Secretary-Treasurer. Kay Pearson
Librarians. Ruth Croft, Mary Brooks

The Glee Club of sixty-two girls progressed very rapidly under the able direction of Mr. Trunk. Both work and fun were the order of the day.

Besides the regular work of the group several ensembles worked under the directions of Miss Iler.

Row 1 left-to-right--C. Grassele, D. Goodwin, M. Moorman, F. Burnett, N. Monfort, S. Stemen, S. Strayer, R. Champ, P. Rider, K. White, K. Beamond, P. Jones, M. Daugherty, A. Medaugh, N. Monfort, M. DeVilbiss, Mr. Trunk. Row 2--M. Stalter, B. Swickrath, M. Brooks, R. Mack, P. Neuman, S. Hook, B. Brincefield, E. Morris, R. Kill, M. Clement, N. Ginter. Row 3--K. Adams, C. Bigelow, P. Risher, R. Croft, D. Whetstone, L. Strayer, J. Place, L. Place, C. Goetz, P. Sever, C. Klaus, J. Miller, P. Martin, L. Shepler, M. Mullenhour, B. Hoch, P. Fissel, E. Jones, J. Patrick. Row 4--J. Zimmerman, M. Brenneman, P. Mason, A. Bowers, B. Harter, C. Coffman, S. Miller, M. Ortega, G. Fast, K. Pearson, S. Binkley, N. Hixson, B. Mace, C. Dershem, S. Wood, G. Wisher, S. Rohrbach.





Majorettes-left-to-right--
Marie Miller, Darlene
Goodwin, Carol Bigelow,
Jean Place, Judy Hiles.

SPENCERVILLE

President.....	Sam Sunderland
Vice-President.....	Joyce McCain
Secretary.....	Beverly Harter
Treasurer.....	Lorna Strayer
Librarians.....	Kay Pearson
	Jean Place

Row 1 left-to-right-N. Monfort, M. Harbison, J. Zimmerman, C. Goetz, M. McMichael, G. Schwartz, C. Ball.
Row 2-F. Burnett, R. Mulholland, S. Turner, K. Burnfield, L. Bickham. Row 3-M. Lies, E. Monfort, P. Jones, L. Hoch, P. Becker, T. Hirn, M. Wilkins, B. Knapp, L. White, T. Kill. Row 4-R. Mack, J. Place, K. White, L. Reeder, P. Adams, J. Degen. Row 5-B. Mace, K. Pearson, R. Croft, M. Stallter, P. Risher.





Drum Major . . . George Wilson



Director . . . Mr. Trunk

HIGH SCHOOL BAND

The members of the band have been very busy this year. Football season kept them in trim for each game. Appearances included Junior and Senior Plays, the Student Assembly, the Spring Concert, and Commencement.

New uniforms were purchased by the Band Mothers and new instruments were made available by the Board of Education.

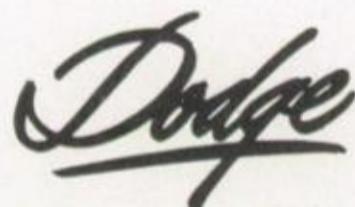
The band members wish to thank Mr. Trunk for his splendid guidance in the band and contest work.

Row 1 left-to-right--E. Leatherman, P. Snyder, P. Williamson, Mr. Trunk. Row 2--B. Harter, W. Whetstone, S. Binkley, C. Zimmerman, E. Whetstone, L. Young, K. Whetstone, M. Daugherty, A. Bowers, N. Hixson, S. Sunderland. Row 3--K. Beamond, T. Stallter, J. Perry, B. Harter, J. Mericle, G. Bowen, J. Seibert, M. Turner, L. Thompson, B. Daugherty, J. McCain. Row 4--K. Adams, M. Whetstone, P. Nevergall, E. Morris, J. Balthaser, S. Gossard, R. Mace. Row 5--P. Mason, J. Reeder, B. Hoch, C. Graessle, L. Strayer.



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JUNIOR BAND--Row 1 left-to-right--J. Winans, J. Mulholland, J. Miller, Mr. Trunk, G. Schwartz, B. Bonifas, N. Monfort, P. Snyder. Row 2--K. Burnfield, L. Bickham, R. Thompson, I. Harruff, G. Bonifas, L. Young. Row 3--P. Becker, S. Turner, L. Hoch, R. Mulholland, J. Gilbert, A. Downing, L. Miller, M. Wilkins, T. Zimmerman, L. White, T. Kill, G. Perry, R. Harter, G. Bowen. Row 4--J. Reeder, R. Mace, S. Gossard, M. Whetstone, P. Nevergall, J. Watt.

BEGINNERS BAND--Row 1 left-to-right--P. Klaus, W. Keller, R. Beamond, S. Davies, Mr. Trunk, R. Ball, A. Rempfer, J. Burnfield, D. Grace, S. Hahn, J. Hahn, C. Gaskill, S. Bowen, S. Pohlman, D. Nevergall, D. Keller. Row 2--J. Redick, K. Gear, J. Failor, M. Williamson, J. Seibert, F. Nickols, K. McKinley, J. Collins, J. Adair, R. Young, D. Graham, T. Sawmiller. Row 3--S. Point, B. Miller, J. Savidge, C. Bowers, P. Holtzaur, B. Point, K. Krendl, J. Wright.





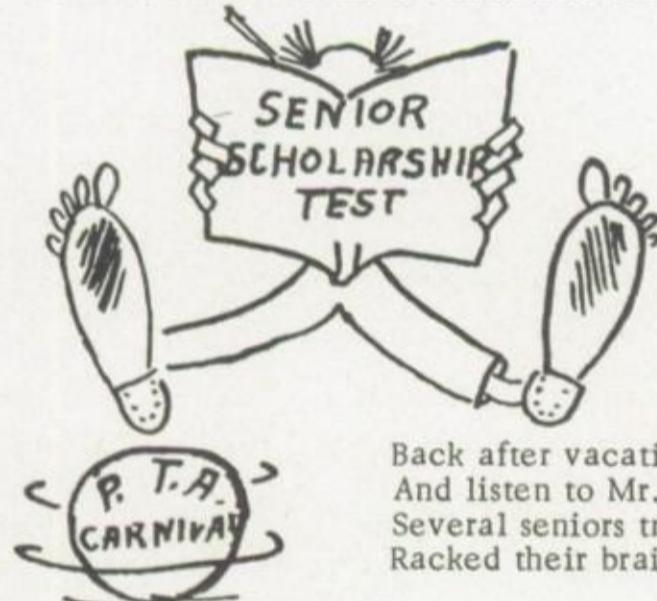
SEPTEMBER

School convened on September nine
The F.F.A. weiner roast turned out fine
The freshman's hayride was the first for this fall
And the team started a new season of football



NOVEMBER

The eleventh grade assembly on Armistice Day
"If Mother Only Knew" was the junior play
Patrolman Garlock suggested safer driving
So we'd all be around to enjoy next Thanksgiving



JANUARY

Back after vacation the centennial film to see
And listen to Mr. Focht speak on dependability
Several seniors trying to do their best
Racked their brains on a scholarship test



MARCH

Step right up and give a cheer
The P.T.A. Carnival is here.
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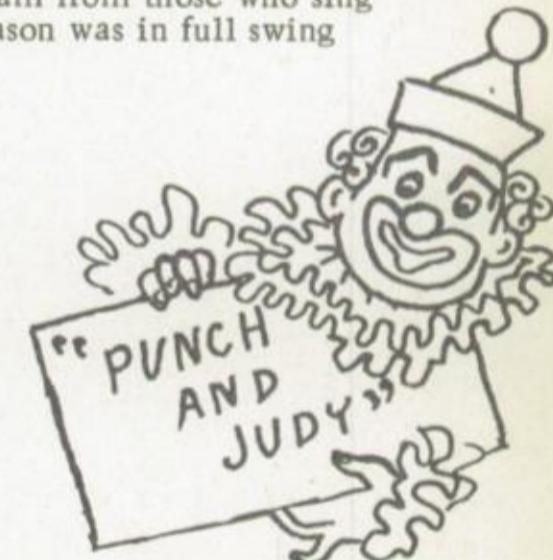
OCTOBER

Homecoming came off without any slips
Sophomores and Freshmen enjoyed their class trips
Individual pictures of school kids were shot
The faculty Halloween Party was enjoyed a lot



DECEMBER

Christmas vacation was greeted with cheers
F.F.A., F.H.A., G.A.A. Christmas party best in years
A Christmas program from those who sing
And basketball season was in full swing



FEBRUARY

Several seniors attended Shawnee's college night
And the F.F.A. assembly turned out all right
Washington's Birthday made a day full of glee
As did the grade operetta, "Punch and Judy."

MAY

The honor banquet was held in May
The junior-senior prom and Commencement day
Happy faces on little Jills and Joses
'Cause on May 28 school closes!





Row 1 left-to-right-Susan Miller, Gerald Keller, Shirley Wood, Charles Hausser, Janice Zimmerman, Norman Young, Georgia Fast, Tom Monfort, Miss Deemer. Row 2-Shirley Rohrbach, Paul Eutsler, Nancy Hixson, George Wilson, Beth Mace, Bill Purdy, Georgia Wisher, Mary Ortega.

SENIOR PLAY “NO MORE HOMEWORK”

Miss Goodin.....	Georgia Fast
Mrs. Clendenning.....	Janice Zimmerman
Miss Ogilvie.....	Beth Mace
Mr. Harper.....	John Burnett
Coach Guthrie.....	Gerald Keller
Mr. Lundquist.....	Norman Young
Pamela Jones.....	Nancy Hixson
“Buzz” Bailey.....	George Wilson
Shalimar Ames.....	Shirley Rohrbach
“Midge” Murphy.....	Mary Ortega
Faversham Lightly, Jr.....	Paul Eutsler

Tallulah Ploetz.....	Shirley Wood
Ronald Sassoon.....	Bill Purdy
Miss Dill.....	Georgia Wisher
“Tick” Tok.....	Tom Monfort
Mrs. Ratchet.....	Susan Miller
Elmer B. Ames.....	Charles Hausser
Student Directors.....	Joyce McCain
Stage Managers.....	Georgia Wisher
	Charles Hausser,
	Norman Young, Paul Eutsler

Probably every high school student has thought of some things he would do if he were principal for a day. “No More Homework” is the tale of what happens when circumstances propel three students into the roles of principal, vice-principal, and school secretary, at Ames High School.

It all begins when Principal Lundquist just has to be away to speak at the State Principals’ Convention. Miss Dill, regular school secretary, has a terrible cold and insists on going home for the day. The vice-principal, Mr. Obermayer, is confined to his bed with a high fever. It is then that Mr. Ames, school board president, decrees that the student council officers shall take over for the day. That’s how Pamela Jones becomes acting principal!

She gets off to a bad start when--in trying to buzz for the janitor, “Tick” Tok--she rang the fire alarm bell instead. Then she has to decide whether to stand behind an unpopular teacher and keep the school’s star athlete out of the State Basketball Tournament. Not the least of Pam’s worries is good natured “Buzz” Bailey, acting vice-principal, who grandly advises gossipy student, Midge Murphy that, “There shall be no more homework!” This brings the teachers out in full force to discover what is going on. Then there’s Faversham Lightly, Jr. who would rather sleep than eat--and spends most of his time doing both! To add to Pam’s grief, the “home ec” teacher is late and “Buzz”, as acting vice-principal, takes over the class with some astonishing results!

And, finally, with the school play, “Rusty Wings” set to open that very night, Pam loses the key to the trunkfull of costumes, right after “Buzz” locked a limburger cheese sandwich in it! To complicate matters Tallulah Ploetz, leading lady of “Rusty Wings,” gets sick unexpectedly and Pamela as her understudy, has to take her place even if she doesn’t know all the lines. During the performance of “Rusty Wings” the play money is stolen and Pamela is blamed! After several hectic moments everything is straightened out and before the play ends, even audience has played a part.

JUNIOR CLASS PLAY

"IF MOTHER ONLY KNEW"

CAST OF CHARACTERS

Janet Maxwell.....	Carol Goetz
Aunt Mary.....	Donelda Whetstone
Connie Maxwell.....	Jean Place
Betty Low Maxwell.....	Judy Balthaser
Bernadine.....	Linda Place
Wilbur Maxwell.....	Glen Golliff
Hercules.....	Dennis Wells
John Maxwell.....	Bill Bowersock
Gladys Gooch.....	Evelyn Leatherman
"Brains" Burns.....	Clair Zimmerman
Dr. Jeffery Gooch.....	Jim Wilkins
Badge Burns.....	Raymond Schwartz
Policemen.....	Gerald Coil Jim Holten

Mr. and Mrs. Maxwell are having their twentieth-wedding anniversary. This fact has, however, slipped Dad's mind. Aunt Mary and the three children each call a florist and order flowers. When these arrive, there is also a bouquet from a Dr. Gooch. When Mother has lunch with Dr. Gooch, the family decides to do something about the wolf. The schemes are of course useless. Mother introduces Dr. Gooch, her college roommate, who is now a lady doctor. Dr. Gooch and her husband, who is also a doctor, are trying to get Dad a job on the local college board of directors. When the male Dr. Gooch comes to interview Dad, he is thrown out of the house. Matters are finally straightened out and peace is again restored. All these problems are unknown to mother, but she feels something has been going on. If Mother only knew!

left to right-J. Seibert, J. Holten, G. Coil, R. Schwartz, Donelda Whetstone, L. Place, J. Balthaser, B. Bowersock, C. Goetz, E. Leatherman, J. Wilkins, C. Zimmerman, Miss Fritz, G. Golliff, D. Wells.



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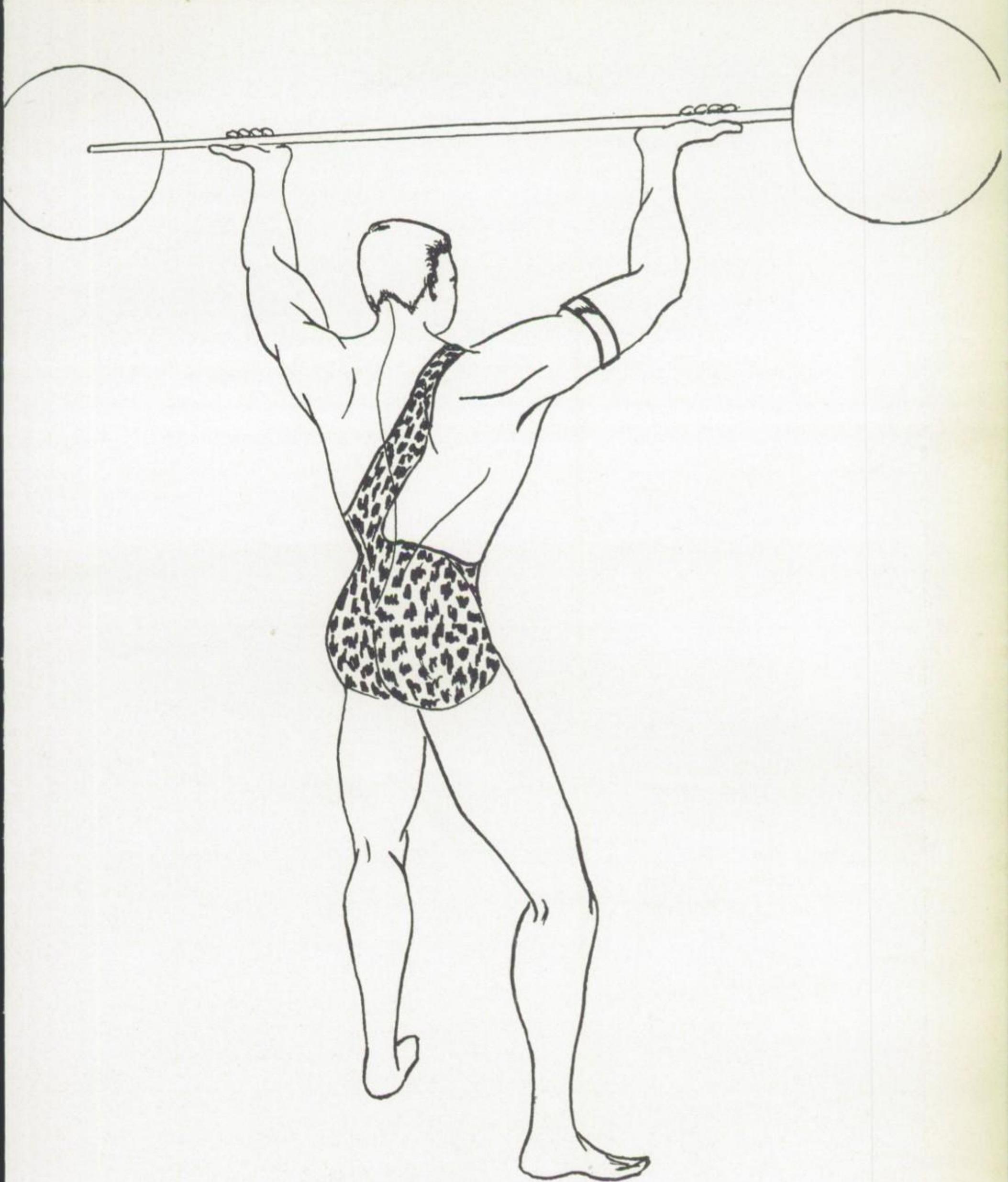
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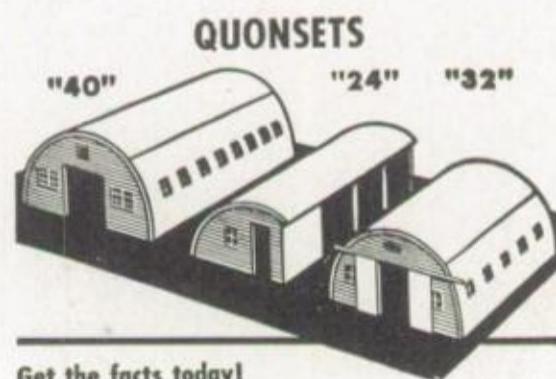
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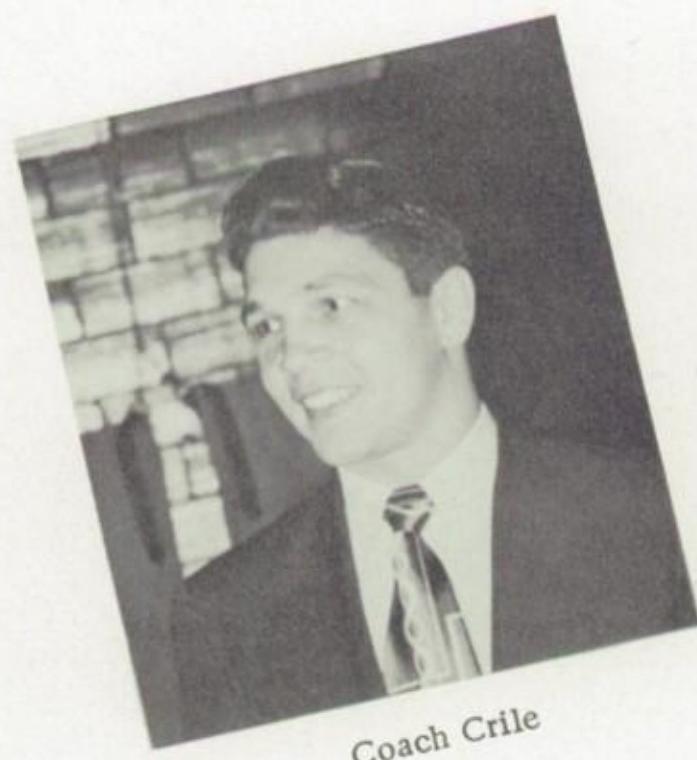




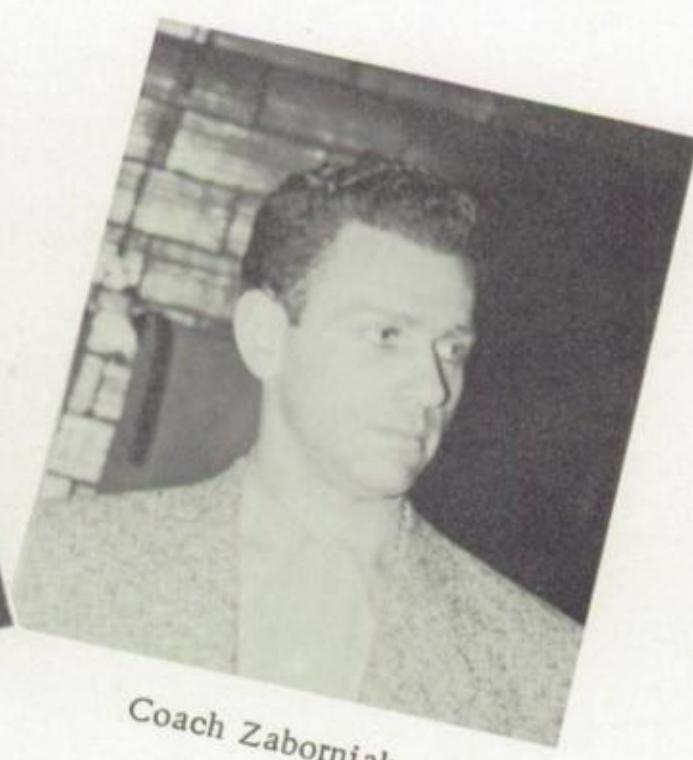
Football cheerleaders-left-to-right- Jean Place,
Shirley Wood, Nancy Hixson



Basketball managers-left-to-right- Norm Young,
Gerald Coil, Dick Fissel



Coach Crile



Coach Zaborniak



Football managers-left-to-right- Philip McKinley, John Brown, Coach Crile



Basketball cheerleaders-left-to-right- Jean Place, George Wilson, Nancy Hixson

VARSITY FOOTBALL



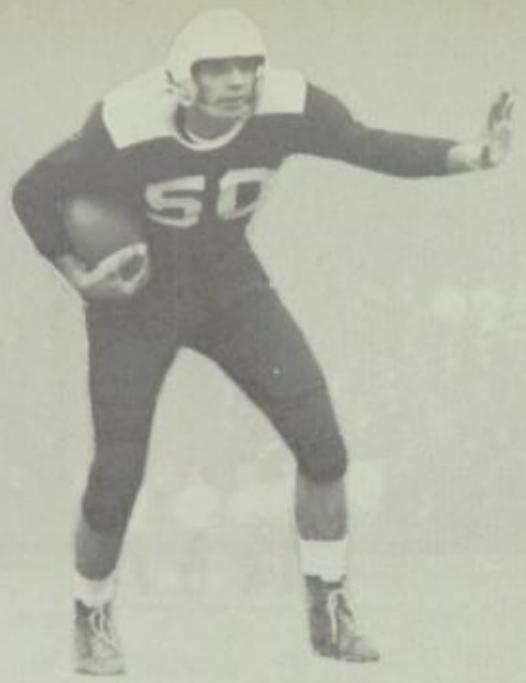
Row 1-left-to-right--K. McDorman, R. Mulholland, J. Wilson, J. Adair, J. Nolan, T. Crider, G. Truesdale, J. Hirn.
 Row 2-Coach Crile, G. Goodwin, B. Oakes, C. Daugherty, B. Renz, L. Reeder, R. Coil, L. McKinley, F. Vulgamott,
 S. Schwartz, Coach Zaborniak. Row 3-D. Fissel, C. Hausser, K. Rider, N. Young, B. Purdy, J. Boyer, D. Becker.

The year 1953 saw fourteen boys winning varsity football letters for the Bearcats. Among the fourteen only four were seniors. These were Captain Norman Young, Chuck Hausser, Jack Boyer, and Dick Fissel. The other boys will have the opportunity to improve on the records of the past two years. Although the team didn't win any games in 1953, they must be given a lot of credit, because in most cases the opposing teams had as many as 30 or 40 boys while the Bearcat squad numbered about 15.

Another important fact which should not be overlooked is that only one game this did the 'Cats fail to score. That means that the boys are becoming more familiar with Coach Crile's "T" formation and they have more confidence in their own ability to operate it. The Coaches again stressed training rules and discipline during the 1953 campaign.

SCORES

Spencerville	0	Waynesfield	0	Spencerville	6	Columbus Grove	64
Spencerville	14	Pandora-Gilboa	37	Spencerville	6	Bluffton	12
Spencerville	0	Shawnee	31	Spencerville	12	Forest	47
Spencerville	12	Ada	46	Spencerville	13	Elida	28
Spencerville	12	Delphos Jefferson	40	Spencerville	7	Lafayette	50





left-to-right--Mr. Crile, B. Harruff, M. Gaskill, B. Purdy, K. Rider, J. Boyer, C. Hausser, E. Gaskill, C. Harter, Mr. Zaborniak. Camera Shy--H. Point.

VARSITY BASKETBALL

The 1953-54 Bearcats got off to a slow start at the onset of the season. After weeks of hard work and determination, the Bearcats began to roll. Good team play was one of the greatest assets of the team as well as an attitude of not giving up.

Thus the Bearcats became a marked team after winning six of their last seven games. The teams in the area were pointing for them during the course of the remaining games.

The boys have been fine representatives of the school from their display of good sportsmanship. Spencerville can be proud of this basketball group.

SCORES

Spencerville	62	Bluffton	52
"	45	Gomer	57
"	70	Shawnee	82
"	61	Elida	65 overtime
"	50	Wapakoneta	69
"	59	Lafayette	57
"	61	Beaverdam	54
"	62	Harrod	53
"	56	New Knoxville	67
"	85	Gomer	74
"	54	Elida	46
"	52	Lafayette	50
"	68	Ada	95
"	51	Delphos Jeff.	78
"	76	Beaverdam	68
"	43	Harrod	70





VARSITYS

Row 1 left to right-C. Harter, T. Bell, G. Goodwin, L. Reeder, G. Coil, B. Collins, K. Steiger, W. Whetstone, R. Mulholland, G. Bell. Row 2-Mr. Crile, G. Golliff, N. Young, C. Haussner, N. Lytle, J. Boyer, K. Rider, B. Purdy, C. Rupert, B. Renz, C. Daugherty, Mr. Zaborniak. Row 3-D. Wells, B. Oackes, L. McKinley, E. Martin, G. Wilson, D. Fissel, D. Rider, D. Becker.

RESERVE BASKETBALL

The Reserve Bearcats of the 1953-54 season were a determined and coachable group. They had a fair season but the next few years will prove their mettle. Their display of ability, desire to play and sportsmanship are attributes of good team play. Lots of luck to them!

Row 1 left to right-Mr. Crile, B. Oackes, S. Blythe, L. Wilkins, J. Adair, J. Hirn, B. Collins, L. McKinley, Mr. Zaborniak. Row 2-W. Bice, D. Rider.





First Row-T. Bell, S. Sunderland, W. Branstetter, C. Hausser, G. Coil, G. Goodwin, Mr. Zaborniak. Second Row-J. Hirn, C. Harter, D. Rider, B. Oackes, D. Fissel, D. Wells, J. Nolan.

BASEBALL 1953

The Spencerville Bearcats completed their season without winning a game. The squad had the help from two good pitchers, Joe Hirn and Bill Oackes, and a pretty good hitter, Charlie Harter.

Even though the boys were defeated, they have gained some knowledge on baseball, learned to work together, and have developed better sportsmanship.

Spencerville	4	LaFayette	13
Spencerville	2	Elida	4
Spencerville	2	Harrod	8
Spencerville	5	Delphos	11
Spencerville	1	Buckland	12
Spencerville	2	Wapak Blume	7
Spencerville	1	Gomer	9

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Junior High Basketball Cheerleaders-left-to-right-Eleanor Morris, Shirley Strayer, Marie Miller





Row 1-left-to-right--C. Nickols, J. Klaus, R. Klaus, L. Bell, H. Strayer, R. Hile, L. Harruff, R. Roeder, R. Wein.
Row 2-Mr. Crile, L. White, J. Williamson, W. Baldwin, J. Adair, J. Hirn, K. McDorman, R. Harruff, J. Medsker, T. Miller, Mr. Zaborniak. Row 3-R. Whopplehorst, J. Lawrence, M. Adams, R. Harter, S. Schwartz, G. Truesdale, D. Holten, J. Hindenlang, T. Crider, J. Wilson.

JUNIOR HIGH FOOTBALL

Coach Zaborniak worked with an eager group of junior high boys and by the end of the campaign had molded them into a fine junior high football team. The boys lost two close games at the beginning of the year but came back strongly to win the last three by comfortable margins. These boys have the desire and the ability to play good football, and the coaching staff hopes that they lose neither. In basketball this year the Junior High team has done very well, showing a great desire to play the game. The 7th and 8th grade team has won two games and lost three. They have beaten Elida 38-37 and Harrod 50-44, while losing to Perry 25-13, Shawnee 37-18, and Gomer 37-14. The Varsity of Freshman team has a similar won-lost record: 2 wins and 3 losses. The two wins are over Harrod 36-34 and Gomer 51-27, while the losses to Elida 32-21, Perry 54-32, and Shawnee 55-26.

JUNIOR HIGH BASKETBALL

Row 1--left-to-right--K. McDorman, J. Brown, S. Workman, J. Hirn, J. Adair, T. Meeker, J. Nolan, C. Ball, J. Bowsher. Row 2--W. Crile, R. Harter, M. Adams, D. Hile, D. Holten, B. Harter, H. Strayer, L. Harruff, R. Harruff, L. Lawrence, L. White, B. McCain. Row 3--D. Carey, B. Crooks, P. McKinley, R. Roeder, R. Whopplehorst, J. Hindenlang, D. Keller, J. Mericle, L. Young, J. Watt.



TRACK REPORT - 1953

COACH WES CRILE

The first meet of the year was held at Spencerville with local thin clads facing competition from Cridersville and Jackson Center. The final results were Jackson Center 70 3/4 points, Cridersville 45 3/4, and Spencerville 35 1/2. Homer Culver led all scoring with firsts in the low and high hurdles, high jump and 100 yard dash, for a total of 20 points.

Fine co-operation from every boy on the squad helped make the first meet a great success.

Our next big meet was a quadrangular meet at Shawnee with the following schools: Shawnee, Elida, Jackson Center, and Spencerville. Shawnee, with much more depth and overall team strength won handily, with the local lads losing third place by the narrowest of margins. Scoring ran Shawnee 110, Jackson Center 49 1/2, Elida 32 1/2, and Spencerville 32.

The Northwest Conference meet at Pandora loomed as our next big meet and the boys worked hard to prepare for it. We are proud of all of our boys, but some came through in great style at this meet. Ed Martin took a first place medal in the shot put, Wayne Whetstone, a third place medal in the pole vault, Walt Branstetter third place in the discus, Norm Young a fourth in the discus event and Culver and Bill Collins tied for fourth in the high jump. A fifth place ribbon went to our miler, Dick Fissel and also a fifth to our half-miler, Keith Steiger. The mile relay team also placed fifth and Young, Steiger, Winegardner, and Fissel each garnered a fifth place ribbon from that.

Much credit goes to our small squad which showed a wonderful spirit in the face of the odds of schools with much larger squads.

Warming up for the Lima Junior Olympics, we had a dual meet with Wapakoneta St. Joesph. Our spirits were dampened a bit by a steady downpour, but we had an interesting time. Our teams were very close both in number and competition.

At the Lima Junior Olympics our boys faced some tough competition with only one boy, Truman Bell, copping fourth place in the low hurdles. We had a very educational and interesting day though, as over 1,000 boys take part in the meet.

Our final meet of the year proved to be one of the most interesting. Spencerville, Wapakoneta St. Joesph, Celina, and Ottawa Public were the competing teams and the outcome was in doubt until the final event. Keith Steiger proved to everyone that he could run by coming from far back on several occasions and placing in the scoring. Fissel ran his usual good mile and won handily from four other boys. Norm Young copped second in the discus. Truman Bell took first in the low hurdles with Jerry Winegardner taking third. Wayne Whetstone won the pole vault at 8' 6". Winegardner took third.

Everyone on the squad deserves commendation for the fact that the final score read Ottawa 44, Celina 36 1/2, Spencerville 35 1/2, and Wapakoneta St. Joesph 32.

During the 1953 year, it was not quality we lacked, but quantity and we hope to remedy that in the near future by interesting more boys in track.

Row 1 - Left to right - W. Whetstone, J. Winegardner, R. Fissel, C. Daugherty. Row 2 - Left to right - J. Wilges, B. Collons, E. Martin, W. Branstetter, K. Steiger, Coach Crile, Camera shy: N. Young, T. Bell.



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The Booster's Club sells pop and popcorn at the football and basketball games. With the profits from these sales and the proceeds from their annual membership drive, they buy athletic equipment for the school. One of their main projects this year was to assume the responsibility for the yearly insurance on the interscholastic players. We would like to express our thanks to them for their generous support.



We, the members of the senior class, wish to take this opportunity to express our appreciation and sincere thanks to everyone who has contributed to the success of this yearbook.

We would like to extend a special "thank you" to our advertising patrons, whose help has made this annual possible.

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Left to right -- Roland Bowers, Carl Perry, Joe Meirer.



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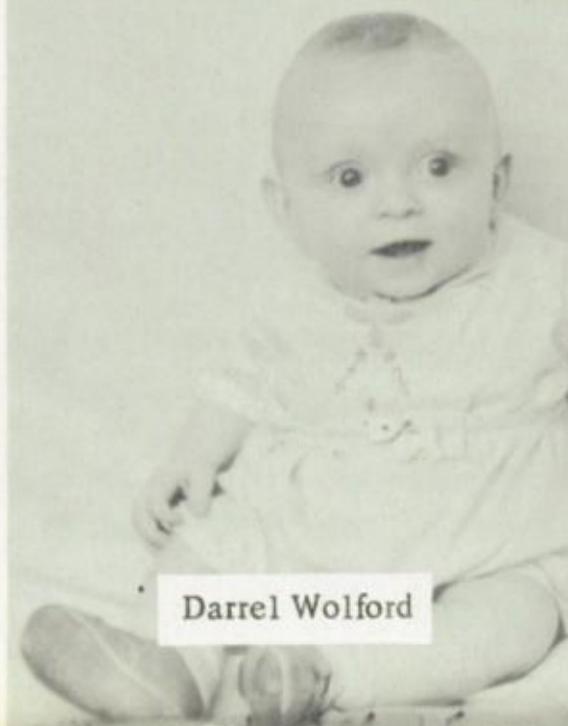
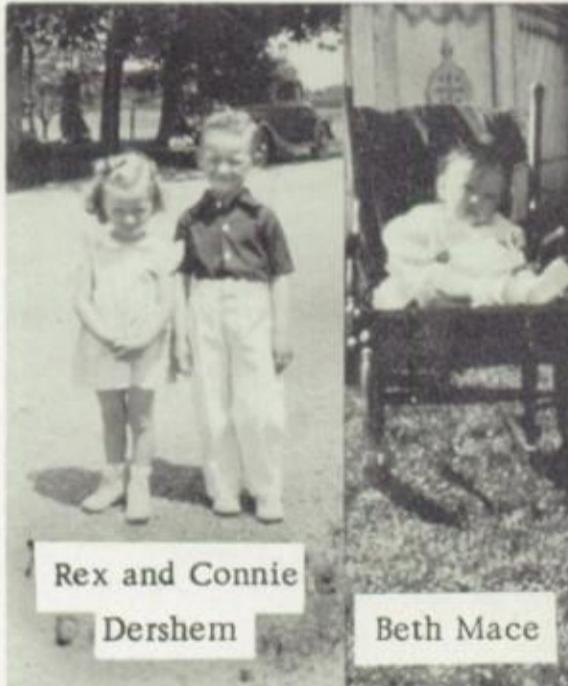
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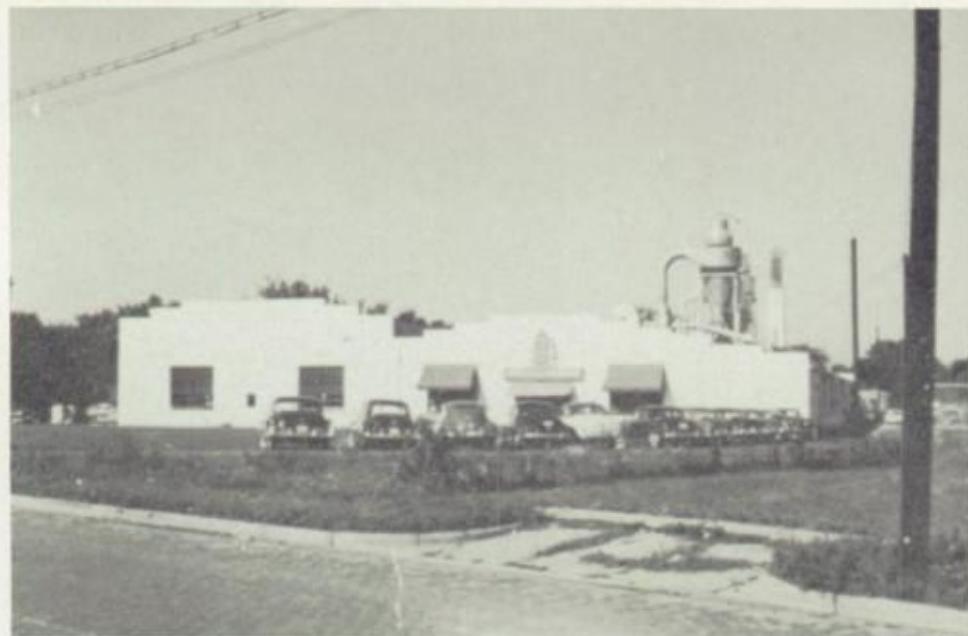
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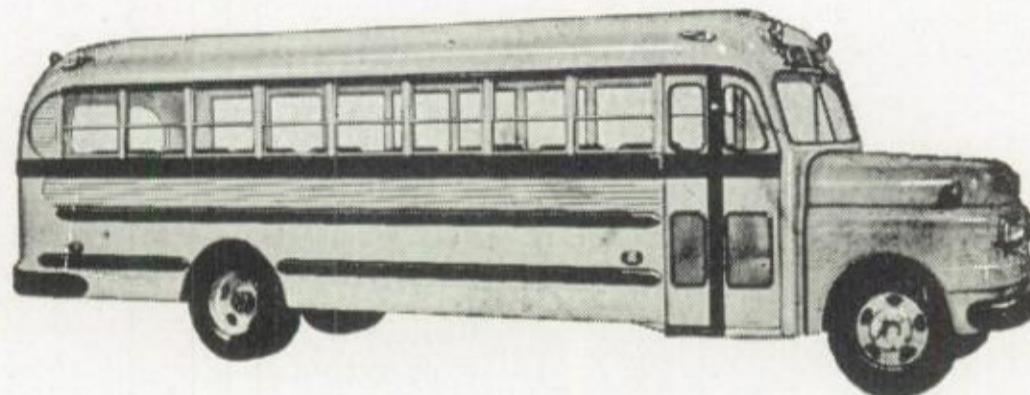
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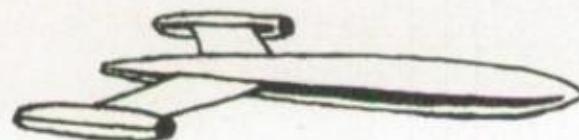
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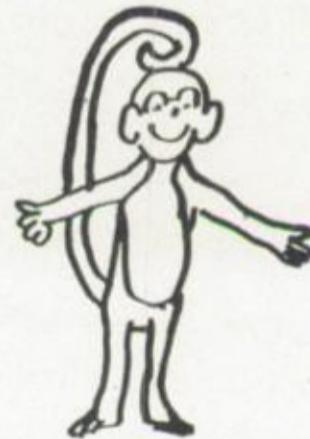
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